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TROOPS LANDING AT BELIZE

Guatemala May Break Off Relations,
Try To Cut Off Food Supplies

HK - Japan Radio 'Phone

Tokyo, Mar. 1.
SCAP has authorized the
Japanese Ministry of Com-
munications to set up direct
radio-telephone service with
Hong Kong. — Associated
Press.

Shanghai-London

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
The Shanghai Telecom-
munications Administration
announced today that the
Shanghai-London radiotele-
phone circuit will be open-
ed to the public next Thurs-
day, following satisfactory
tests. The charge for a
three-minute conversation
will be, for the present,
CNC\$1,746,000 (nearly \$4
at present open market
rate).

Machine-Gun Seized In Border Raid

Nine Chinese are being held
as a result of a surprise raid
by the Hong Kong and Wo On
Police on Lin Ma Hong Village
last Friday night.
One machine-gun, two revolv-
ers and several rounds of am-
munition were seized.
The Commissioner of the Po-
lice, Shiu Tin-loy, contacted
the Talpo Station when he
received information that a gang
of robbers were hiding some-
where between the Lin Ma Hong
Village and Chung Ling Village
(Shum Chun) and that they were
ready to go to Lin Ma Hong,
which is in British territory.
A detachment of 50 Hong
Kong police was despatched and
joined the Chinese force at Lin
Ma Hong where they cordoned off
the village and arrested the nine
suspects.
The darkness, however, helped
many to escape a police screen-
ing.
The suspects are now being
held at the Talpo Police Station,
pending further investigation.

Shanghai Petition To Truman

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
The United States Secretary of State has acknow-
ledged receipt of a petition, submitted to Presi-
dent Truman on Jan. 20 by wives of former
foreign employees of the now defunct Shang-
hai Municipal Council—the pre-war Inter-
national governing body of the International
Settlement of Shanghai. It was revealed at a
week-end meeting of former S.M.C. foreign
staff members still here.

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Moscow Supports Britain

Belize, Mar. 1.
Guatemala will decide, when its Congress opens
today, whether to break off diplomatic rela-
tions with Britain and to cut off food supplies
to British Honduras, according to reports here.
The opening of Congress by Dr. Juan Jose Arevalo,
the President, will coincide with the arrival
here of the 9,850 ton training cruiser "Devon-
shire" with troops of the Gloucestershire Re-
giment from Jamaica, bringing the total forces
available for the defence of the colony to over
1,000.

An anti-British demonstration
has been arranged for today in
Guatemala city, it was also re-
ported.

On her arrival, the "Devon-
shire" will immediately land
troops, fighting vehicles and
anti-aircraft and anti-tank
guns. Vice-Admiral Sir William
Tennant, Commander-in-Chief
of the American and West
India station, said when he
announced that the cruiser had
been delayed by slight engine
trouble.

The forces, he indicated,
would probably be quite enough
to deal with the situation, and
reply to what he called
Guatemala's "rather tactless
and offensive statements".

Marines from "Sheffield"
have already penetrated the 90
miles from the coast to the
border of Guatemala, "so that
they could be seen by the
Guatemalans," as Admiral
Tennant said. The single nar-
row, swampy road jolting
between the two countries is guard-
ed by forces ready to throw
road blocks and other defences
across it.

Guatemalan reports that the
British were being reinforced
by the sloop "Swallow". The
sloop is in Trinidad and is stay-
ing there, it was stated. It was
also denied that British troops had
marked out part of southern
British Honduras with flags and
were going up the Sarstoon
River in landing barges.
Admiral Tennant's confident
statement supported a general
belief here that the crisis had
passed.

Peaceful Now

"No emergency now exists,"
he said. "Everything is calm
and the border is entirely peace-
ful."

Shots rang out in this little
town yesterday, but it was only
the local homeguard having an
exercise. Admiral Tennant in-
spected their headquarters and
also had a long conference with
Mr. Edward G. Hawkesworth,
Governor of the Colony.

Diplomatic advisers from
Guatemala last week referred
to the strong probability of an
airborne attempt to seize Be-
lize and the rest of British
Honduras by a bloodless coup,
it was disclosed here today.

Five Dakotas were known to
be at an airfield near the bor-
der, and it was feared that they
might be used to ferry
troops into the Belize airfield,
where no force was immedi-
ately available to counter such a
move.

The reports suggested that
the attempt was planned to
take place before today, when
the Guatemalan Congress opens.
The time for such a move, how-
ever, is now past. Any move by
the Guatemalans would im-
mediately produce a bloodshed
and violence, which they are not
expected to risk.

"Tourist Visas"

Officials here, however, were
still watching events in
Guatemala closely today in
case the present government
should be overthrown and re-
placed by extremists.
They were also watching an-
other development. In the past
few days, 150 Guatemalans
have applied for tourist visas
to enter the colony.
The visas have been granted,
but there was some fear that
the influx might be a cover for
fifth column or propaganda ac-
tivity here. — Reuter.

Moscow Blames U.S.

London, Feb. 29.
The United States, using
Argentina and Chile as tools,
was trying to "crowd Britain
out of the Antarctic," a Moscow
Radio commentator declared to-
day in a review of the dispute
over the Falkland Island Depen-
dencies.

Upholding British sovereignty
of the territories, Moscow
Radio said that Chile and
Argentina, "under the complete
control of the United States,"
persisted in their demands be-
cause America was trying "to
deprive Britain of her most im-
portant strategic position".
"The recent discovery of
uranium in the British terri-
tories of the Antarctic un-
doubtedly plays no small role
in this respect," the Radio
added.

The commentator added that
the Atlantic Ocean was not the
only sphere of American "ex-
pansion".

No "Leases"

"In the Mediterranean," he
said, "the American armed
forces are seizing one strategic
position after another without
any leases or any other legal
grounds".
Visits of American vessels
to Mediterranean ports, he added,
were "no longer visits"—
they have developed into the
permanent sojourn of the large
American forces in the Medi-
terranean.

Referring to "right wing
bourgeois" hopes of preserving
British possessions with Ameri-
can assistance, the commen-
tator said: "As the present de-
velopment in the Atlantic and

FINLAND DISCUSSES REQUEST

Helsinki, Mar. 1.
Discussions began today with the
Finnish Government today on
Prime Minister Stalin's proposal
for a Finnish-Russian treaty of
friendship and mutual assis-
tance.
President Paasikivi (it was
learned) will be told on Wednes-
day of the final decisions of the
major political parties on the
proposal which is expected to be
submitted to Parliament. The
Government's official statement is
not expected before Wednesday
night.

Well-informed sources said
Paasikivi favours signing a treaty.
Over the week-end he conferred
with K.L. Kulo, head of the pro-
Moscow Socialist Unity Party.
The Executive Committee of
the Democratic bloc of the
Communists and the Socialist
Unity Party, is to discuss the
proposal later today. Premier
Mauno Pekala will attend.

Pekala and Eino Kivi, Minis-
ter of Education and member of
the Foreign Relations Committee,
have recovered from slight colds
and resumed their duties. — Asso-
ciated Press.

Finland Won't Be Quite So Easy

(By John M. Hightower)

Washington, Mar. 1.
Russia is expected to have a much more difficult
time forcing Finland into the Eastern Euro-
pean Communist bloc than she had with Cze-
choslovakia.

American officials predict that the resistance of
the Finns will be much greater than that of
the Czechs. They say it may, in fact, succeed
in preserving for Finland some elements of
liberty.

There is no longer much dis-
guising the fact that American
authorities were shocked and dis-
tressed at the speed with which
the Czechs gave in to Commun-
ist demands.

Marshall Aid Plan Approval

London, Mar. 1.
America will approve the
Marshall aid plan to Europe by
the end of this month, accord-
ing to well-informed United
States quarters in London to-
day.

These quarters express con-
fidence that both Houses of the
American legislature will finally
endorse the plan within the next
four weeks.
London sources consider that
if the plan is approved by March
31, it will be several months be-
fore the first aid money will be
sent to Europe through the
United States to Europe.
Meanwhile, authoritative quar-
ters indicate that the forth-
coming British Government
economic survey, expected with-
in the first fortnight of March,
will show an altered emphasis
in view of the new greater like-
lihood of Marshall aid.

British Policy

Britain's policy, all along, has
been to attack the problems of
economic recovery on the as-
sumption that the country would
have to stand on its own feet.
Marshall aid, if received, would,
in that case, enable some even-
tual easing of the burden.
The survey, however, will
show the departure from this
policy, but will emphasize the
further ruthless cuts and other
restrictions that would be
necessary in the absence of the
Marshall plan. — Reuter.

The Mediterranean have shown
American concern for British
interests is tending to grow
out of British influence, and only
imposing on Britain impossible
political and economic obliga-
tions. — Reuter.

PICTURE OF THE DAY

Racket



Hong Kong must rank
among the noisiest towns in
the world, but less there
should have been anything
lacking, this instrument of
torture has now been intro-
duced in the Central dis-
trict. (China Mail photo).

TEN MILLION YEN IN CONTRABAND

Heavy Seizure On ss.
"Taksang" In Kobe

Kobe, Mar. 1.
A single American GI, Pfc. William H. Stewart,
of Philadelphia, broke up a 10,000,000 yen
smuggling operation in Kobe harbour today.
The alertness of Stewart and swift action by a
Criminal Investigation Detachment cracked
open an attempt by the Chinese crew of the
British vessel "Taksang" to smuggle penicil-
lin, saccharine, gold, silver, platinum and
other goods into the Japanese black market.

Stewart, a member of the
U.S. 24th Infantry Regiment,
was the lone security guard on
board the "Taksang." Noticing
that some cargo was being
transferred from the ship to a

lighter, he waited until the
small boat had been loaded and
taken to the dock. He then
summoned the Officer of the
Day, Lt. Richard W. F. Hughes,
of New Jersey.

Together they discovered
2,000 vials of penicillin and 350
lb. of saccharin as well as
medicinal preparations, malted
milk compound and lighter
flints. The contraband was
impounded and four Japanese
on the lighter were arrested.

ALLEGED BRITISH 'ATROCITY'

Jerusalem, Mar. 1.
Eight Jews were killed by
Arabs after Hagana guards at
a foundry near Jaffa had been
disarmed in error by the Police.

The Jews are now accusing the
Police of "atrocities" alleging
that the murdered men were
deliberately left at the mercy
of the Arabs. This is strongly
denied by the Palestine Police.

The Jewish account, given in a
broadcast over Hagana radio,
said the British "kidnapped" 24
Hagana men and dropped them
off in Arab territory. The Brit-
ish admitted their men disarmed
the Jews but said the arms were
later ordered returned.

The order came too late to do
any good, according to J.M.
Flanagan, Police Superintendent
of the British district. Flanagan
said Jews in the foundry fired on
three Arab trucks on the high-
way.

A British armoured car drove
up and searched the foundry,
seizing three Sten guns and two
rifles. The armoured car com-
mander advised the Jews to
abandon the foundry and then
headed for Jaffa, taking the arms
with him.

Arabs meanwhile assembled
nearby and stormed the building
after the British left.
Flanagan said he learned the
Jews were members of Hagana
and ordered the arms returned.
But the British were too late in
reaching the armoured car by
radio.

The Superintendent insisted
that disarming of the Jews was
not intended to set them up for
slaughter. He said he firmly be-
lieved the armoured car com-
mander "acted in good faith and
did what he thought was right".
— United Press.

British Condemn Terrorism

Jerusalem, Mar. 1.
The continuance of indi-
vidual murder and condoned
terrorism can lead only to the
destruction of the Jewish com-
munity of Palestine of all rights
in the eyes of the world to be
numbered among the civilized
peoples," said the Palestine
Government today.

A communique, issued by the
Jewish Agency as "an interna-
tional body" of breaking the
laws of Palestine and of "other
countries in which it has
operated." The communique
added:

"On February 8, 1947, the
Palestine Government invited
the Jewish Agency and Vaad
Leumi (Jewish National Coun-
cil) to call upon the Jewish
community for their assistance
in bringing to justice members
of terrorist groups who had
been guilty of murder and other
crimes over a considerable
period."

It was then pointed out
that what was demanded was
the recognition of the ordinary
royal and moral duty to co-
operate against crime which be-
longed to the citizens and insti-
tutions of any civilized state.
The invitation was declined by
the Jewish Agency on the
ground that it was contrary to
Jewish political principles.
The invitation was also
declined by the Government.

S'hai Prices Come Down

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
Rumours that President
Chiang Kai-shek is arriving
in Shanghai personally to
tackle the commodity mar-
ket spirit forced down
prices today on all fronts,
with Chinese stocks suffer-
ing the heaviest setback.
The Shanghai share Wing
On Cotton Mills, dropped to
a low of CN\$558 from yester-
day's high of CN\$1,200.
The black market U.S. dol-
lar, however, remained at
CN\$300, although only
isolated deals were report-
ed. — United Press.

Salvage Tug To Aid "Kien Sing"

The salvage tug,
"Caroline Moller" which
recently towed an ex-
Japanese tanker from
Hong Kong to Shanghai,
was last night speeding
southward along the
China coast to the aid of
the grounded s.s. "Kien
Sing" at Chilang Point,
80 miles northeast of
Hong Kong.

The "Kien Sing" having been
swept on the rocks by the tide
and wind, was last night
reported to be in danger of severe
damage, owing to a "very rough
sea" prevailing in the vicinity of
Chilang Point.

Some of the 50 crew have
been transferred to the Chinese
Customs cruiser standing by to
discourage any attempt at piracy.
The motorjunk, which left
Hong Kong on Sunday with
anchors, chains and cables on
board, the vessel was on its way
from Hainan Island to Kobe
with 4,000 tons of iron ore when
it went aground in heavy fog on
Saturday morning at Chilang
Point.

The Sverdlov of New York, and is
bound for France from Fremantle.
— Reuter.

American Freighter On Fire

Sydney, Mar. 1.
The American freighter, "Ceil G.
Sellers" (7,216 tons) sent out an SOS
early today saying that she was on
fire 1,500 miles out from Fremantle.
The Captain reported the position
was grave and the ship might have
to be abandoned.

The freighter "John Gorrie" (7,176
tons), on her way to Bombay from
Fremantle, is trying to reach the
scene.
The "Ceil G. Sellers" is carrying
a cargo of wheat. She has a crew
of 36 and has two Australian stow-
aways aboard.
She is a Liberty ship belonging to

Rationing Of Rice In Shanghai

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
Shanghai's Mayor K.C. Wu today inaugurated the
world's third largest city's first experimental
step to ration 40,000 tons of rice monthly. At a
special press conference, he invited the world
to watch the rationing programme to judge
the success of a strictly Chinese administered
effort.

The Shanghai plan—which is
identical with rationing systems
set up in Peiping, Hankow,
Nanking and Tientsin—affected
5,000,000 people. It was drafted
with the cooperation of the
U.S.-Chinese Relief Mission
headed by Mr. Donald Gilpatrick
and a Central Government
special committee headed by
Mr. Y.T. Miao.

The programme is to be tried
for a period of four months,
starting March, and altogether
160,000 tons of rice are re-
quired—half to be furnished by
United States relief and half by
the Chinese Government.

Each person, regardless of
age, is to get 16 lb. of rice
monthly at a cost of five per cent
below the open market
cost. The rest can be bought
on the open market.

month and the remainder in
the second half of the month.
Clearly stated that half of the
rice comes from the United
States Government.

Mr. Gilpatrick, at the press
conference said it is the first
time that enough rice is on
hand to make rationing pos-
sible. He expressed the hope that
the great difficulties confront-
ing the City Government would
be overcome, and prove that
rationing is a feasibility.
— United Press.

The Weather

The anticyclone dominates China and
the South China Sea. A depression, with
a trough extends E. to the Luzon Strait
and NE. to a deep depression over the
Kurile. A ridge of high pressure covers
the Gobi Sea.
Today's forecast: Shanghai: B. with
clouds, with occasional rain.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 74.4 deg. F.
Minimum: 62.2 deg. F.
Rainfall: 0.6 inch.
Wind: S.W. 10-15 mph.
Sea: S.W. 10-15 mph.
Sun: 10-15 mph.
Moon: 10-15 mph.
Sunset: 6:15 p.m.
Sunrise: 5:15 a.m.
Moonset: 11:15 p.m.
Moonrise: 11:15 a.m.
Wind: S.W. 10-15 mph.
Sea: S.W. 10-15 mph.
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DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE TO KMT SPOKESMEN

Unlawful Boarding Of Ship

Mr. D. G. Cairns, Acting Assistant Director of Marine, took the bench at the Marine Court yesterday in the absence of Mr. N. Garland, who is on home leave.

Mr. Cairns sentenced 13 Chinese to one month's hard labour each for unlawfully boarding the s.s. "Hupeh" on Feb. 28 alongside the Custodian Wharf.

The excuse they gave that they were only taking luggage on board for passengers was given the lie when Sub-Inspector Fyfe of the Waterfront Police Unit told the Court that all passengers' luggage on the wharf was carried by wharf coolies with arm bands.

Chan Cheung, master of a motor junk from Ping Hoi, was fined \$200 or one month for having on board 163 excess passengers. His licence allowed him to carry only 10.

Leung Kiu, master of a sampun, found that his delay in taking out a licence cost him an additional fine of \$25.

Li Hing, another sampun master, had already taken out a licence but it was not on board when the Police asked for it. This cost him \$15.

A caution was administered to Chao Kwong, master of a fishing junk, for lying inshore at Kennedy Town without permission. He said he was instructed by the Fisheries Department to tie up to discharge fresh fish, and did not know a permit was required.

BOILER MAKER STOLE METAL

Nine months' hard labour was imposed on Wong Chak Man, 25, boiler maker, when he appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada on a charge of stealing six pieces of white metal valued at \$72 from Tak-ko Docks.

Inap Brownrigg, prosecuting, said that defendant was stopped outside the dockyard in Sai Wan Street with a parcel. He admitted stealing the metal.

RADIO

EDW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 846 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and from 2.00 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 502 megacycles in the 12 metre band from 12.15 to 1.45, 5.30 to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

12.15 p.m.—Studio: Religious Talk to Children.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Ambrose and Anne".
1.02 p.m.—Morison and Kaye on Two Pianos.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Orchestral Symphony Orchestra of New York.
2.00 p.m.—Glee Down.
2.05 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: Melodies from the British Film.
2.10 p.m.—Musical Sweethearts, Music and Song.
2.30 p.m.—Studio: See You on Sport.
2.40 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.
2.45 p.m.—Piano Recital by Wilhelm Backhaus.
2.55 p.m.—Studio: Stage and Screen Favourites presented by Alison Woods.
3.05 p.m.—The Philharmonia Orchestra.
3.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Merry-Go-Round".
3.50 p.m.—London Relay: News.
4.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
4.21 p.m.—Studio: A Play—"The Baron's Room" by Norman Edwards. Produced by Douglas Clarke for the Hong Kong Stage Club.
4.30 p.m.—A Programme of New Records first received by EDW.
10.30 p.m.—London Relay: Radio News.
10.45 p.m.—Relay of Tino Gochallen and His Ambassadors Orchestra.

Recent statements by Dr. Hollington Tong, Chinese Government spokesman, and General Wu Teh-chen, Secretary-General of the Kuomintang, condemning the outlawed (in China) China Democratic League as a Communist body, were refuted by the League's spokesman in Hong Kong yesterday.

Referring to the statements made on Feb. 26 by Dr. Tong and General Wu, the spokesman issued the following refutation:

"The most recent statements by Messrs. Wu Teh-chen and Dr. Hollington K. Tong calling our League a 'Communist organization in disguise' are most ridiculous.

"The purpose of such statements are, firstly, to confuse

Caution Sequel To Accident

A caution on each charge was registered against Li Chul Lun, 45, clerk employed by Mr. Sutherland Russ, when he was charged with driving without due care and attention in Stubbs Road on Feb. 20 at 8.30 p.m. and overtaking on a bend when the road was not clear.

Defendant, driving car No. 7731, overtook a car at a slight bend in the road and collided with a car coming in the opposite direction.

The driver of the other car had four passengers with him at the time and Chan Wai Yu was injured in the right leg and jaw. He was taken to Queen Mary Hospital and treated but not detained. There was slight damage to the complainant's car as well as defendant's car.

Mr. Russ (defending) said that his clerk would pay all repairs to the car as well as the hospital bill for Chan.

Order For Possession

An order for possession of the whole of 82 Fuk Wing Street, was made yesterday by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), in favour of Tse Chung against the occupants of the premises.

Mr. Justice Williams, who told the occupants that they must quit and deliver up possession of the premises on or before Apr. 8, also made an order for means profits.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for Tse Chung, while the occupants appeared in person.

Accident To Mr. Lonsdale

As the result of an accident to Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, who broke his arm over the week-end, hearing of the manslaughter case against Ricardo Santos at the Criminal Sessions was yesterday adjourned by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), until Friday, March 5, at 9.30 a.m. Mr. Justice Williams intimated that he would be sitting late on that day to finish the case.

Mr. Justice Williams also requested Mr. A. J. Clifford, who appeared on behalf of the Crown to ask for an adjournment, to convey to Mr. Lonsdale the regrets of the Court over the accident.

On the application of the prosecution, Lau Hoi alias Lau Yun-hoi (20), Ho Cheuk-kui (28) and Kong Lok (44), were remanded for another three days in custody when they appeared before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr yesterday on the charge of the murder of Lytton Bevis Wood on a path leading from Lion Rock, Shatin, on Feb. 11.

REPLY H.K. Opium Law Same As In China

Letters From Lair Of Pirates

The families of four of the six men taken hostage when pirates sacked control of the s.s. Van Hout last December when the vessel was about 80 miles from Hong Kong, have received letters from the kidnapped men, according to last evening's edition of the Sing Tao Jih Pao.

The newspaper said that the letters were written on Jan. 9, but the post-mark dated Jan. 21. The amount of ransom demanded was not mentioned.

Tahara Knew Of No Complaints

Vice-Admiral Tahara Suzuki, on trial with 15 alleged Japanese war criminals before the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court, finished his evidence yesterday and was cross-examined by the Prosecutor, Major Grant McIntyre, Australian Div., SCAP, H.Q. Tokyo.

Tahara, charged with mistreating some 500 Hainan Camp POWs and causing the death of 180 prisoners, Dutch and Australian, will be questioned today by the Court composed of Lt. Col. H.G. Guinn, DSO, ED, (President), Lt. Col. J.T. Brock (Judge Advocate) with Major N. McCleod and Lt. R. Carter as members.

Under cross-examination by the Prosecution, Tahara said that when Allied warplanes bombed the island in 1944, for the safety of the prisoners he forbade them to hold sports meetings previously permitted. No order was made to prevent them being sent out to work.

Tahara admitted that the Japanese hospitals and barracks were superior to that of the POWs.

Replying to Major McIntyre, defendant said he did not make any arrangement for the prisoners to grow food when it was scarce.

He did not speak with the prisoners because he could not speak English and they could not speak his language. He did not use an interpreter. He did not know that some of the prisoners could speak Japanese.

He had never received any complaints, Tahara said. Hearing was adjourned to today at 9.30 a.m.

Captain Kamura, second of the 16 defendants, will go in the box on Thursday morning.

Salesman Saw Him Stealing

A watchful salesman at the China Emporium saw Chan Yu pick up a woollen pullover, such it inside his jacket and attempt to walk off with it. The salesman followed him and had him arrested.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, when Chan appeared on a charge of larceny before Mr. F. X. d'Almada, he was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

Defendant pleaded "guilty". He had lost some money was desperate and wanted something to eat so he stole the pullover with the intention of selling it to make money.

Caning, Gaol For Theft

Ten strokes of the cane and nine months' hard labour was imposed on Kwok Yuk when he appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. d'Almada on a charge of larceny of a handbag, property of Chi San Ying, containing \$25.40.

Defendant pleaded "guilty". Inspector Brownrigg said that defendant had two previous convictions for similar offences and asked that accused be recommended for banishment.

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The newspaper said that the letters were written on Jan. 9, but the post-mark dated Jan. 21. The amount of ransom demanded was not mentioned.

The law regarding opium is the same here as it is in China," Mr. d'Almada said when defendant, who was also recommended for banishment, pleaded ignorance of Hong Kong laws.

A 60-year-old unemployed, Jong Ping, of No. 28, Tung Loy Street, ground floor, was sentenced to three months' hard labour for keeping an opium divan. Five smokers had their \$25 bail forfeited for failing to appear in court, while three were each fined \$20.

Pleading not guilty to a charge of possession of heroin pills and pipes Cheung Lau, 28, married woman, was remanded in goal custody 24 hours, while a witness for her defence is being contacted by Police.

Cheung, who was bailed out on the first hearing last week, said that she had no knowledge of any of the articles, heroin pills and pipes, found in her cubicle. She alleged that Ma Chor-yuen, 27, unemployed, who is charged with her, put them in her room. Defendant insisted that she knew nothing of the whole affair. She would call the servant of the tenant to give evidence.

Cheung said that she knew Ma only a few months and alleged that the pipes were placed under her settle from outside. She said the divan in one of the cubicles started about a month ago, and she did not know how many smokers had frequented it.

SI Thomas said that he raided the place and found a tin of heroin pills, an opium pipe and 60 small pots of prepared opium under a table in the corner of her room. Another tin of heroin pills was found inside her safe, which she opened in their presence. In her dressing table, another 200 heroin pills were discovered. Altogether 10 heroin-pipes and 1,355 pills were seized.

Inspector Hill was on routine search duty at the K. C. R. Station at 8.30 p.m. on Feb. 29 when he saw Au Kin-man (23) and Chow Tak-wing (31) surrendering their tickets to the ticket-collector at the gate.

Both men produced tickets for Shumchun (the last stop in the Chinese section for down trains).

Neither of them could raise the additional fare of \$2.65 each (from Shumchun to Kowloon). They were taken into custody.

Yesterday, they appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer charged with "knowingly and wilfully proceeding by train beyond the distance for which fare had been paid (Shumchun) did proceed to Kowloon without previously paying the additional fare."

They were fined \$25 (or 10 days' imprisonment) each. Inspector J. Orem prosecuted.

Charged with being a member of the Wo On Lick Triad Society, at Mong Kok on Feb. 28, Shing Shuen, 23-year-old travelling trader, was remanded for three days by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The stowaways referred to by the Magistrate were Reginald Gehlin Wilson, 20, signaller of H.M.S. Tamar, and John MacNish, 19, signaller of H.M.S. Black Swan, charged with attempting to stowaway to Australia on board the s.s. "Shanai" on Sunday.

Inspector J. Orem said that during a routine search of the ship the two men were found in No. 3 Lifeboat at 10.50 a.m. just as the ship was about to sail.

Defendants were sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

ILLEGAL W/T STATION

Chung Chi-ming (24), Wong Lau (19), Li Siu (30) married woman, and Choi Yau (40) widow, charged with using and possession of a radio-communication set at 7 Hankow Road, second floor, on Feb. 28, were, on the application of Det. Sub-Inspector C. J. Baker, remanded until March 5 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

The principal tenant, Chan Liu-fai, 32-year-old tailor, was remanded to the same day on the charge of permitting his premises to be used as an illegal transmitting station.

The Old "Gold Brick" Swindle?

"All that glitters is not gold," but an unknown Chinese female though otherwise and, were it not for the vigilance for Det. L/C Leung Fui, would have been a few dollars poorer for disbelieving that maxim.

At 5.15 p.m. on Feb. 28, Det. Leung Fui was walking along Cheungshawan Road when he saw two Chinese men talking to a Chinese woman who was counting some money.

On seeing the detective the two men ran. The detective caught Leung Fuk-shing, 18, after a short chase.

Questioned at the Shinshulpo Police Station, Leung admitted that he and the other man were trying to sell a lump of gilded metal as gold to the woman.

Leung further admitted to being a member of Wo Lee-kwan triad society.

Charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday with conspiracy to commit a felony and with being a member of a triad society, Leung was on the application of Det. Sub-Inspector D.S. Roberts, remanded for three days in custody.

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R.N. Ratings Sent To Gaol

"If the stowaways had been discovered in Australia the shipping company would have been fined \$100 for each of them as well as having to pay for their upkeep in gaol, and also to pay for their passage back to Hong Kong," said Mr. W. H. Latimer to an officer of H.M.S. Tamar at Kowloon yesterday.

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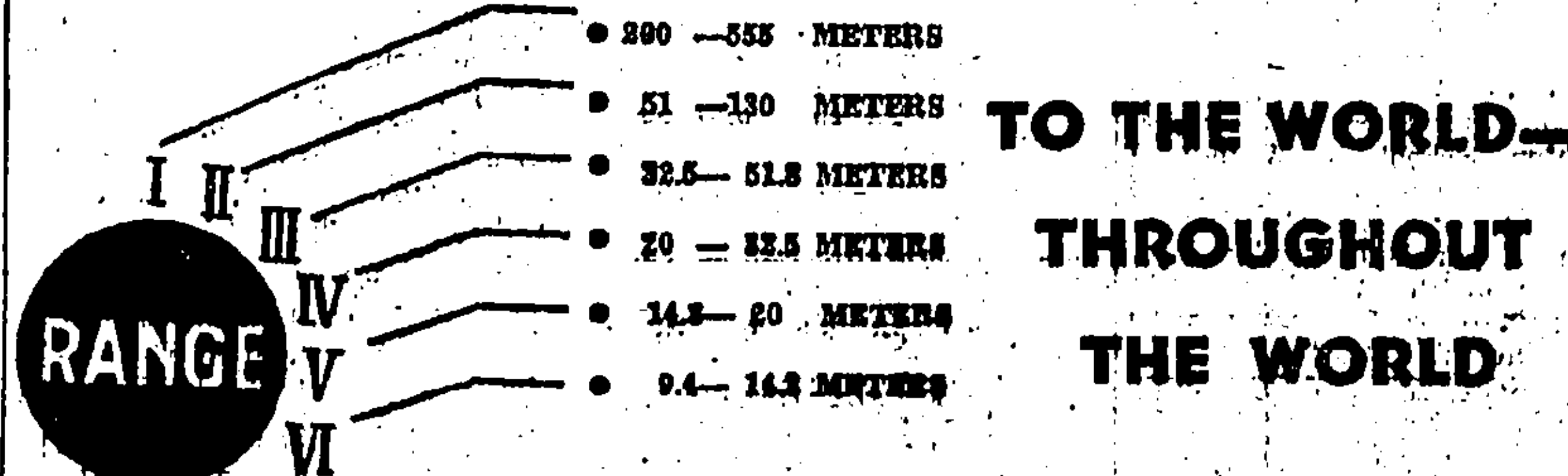
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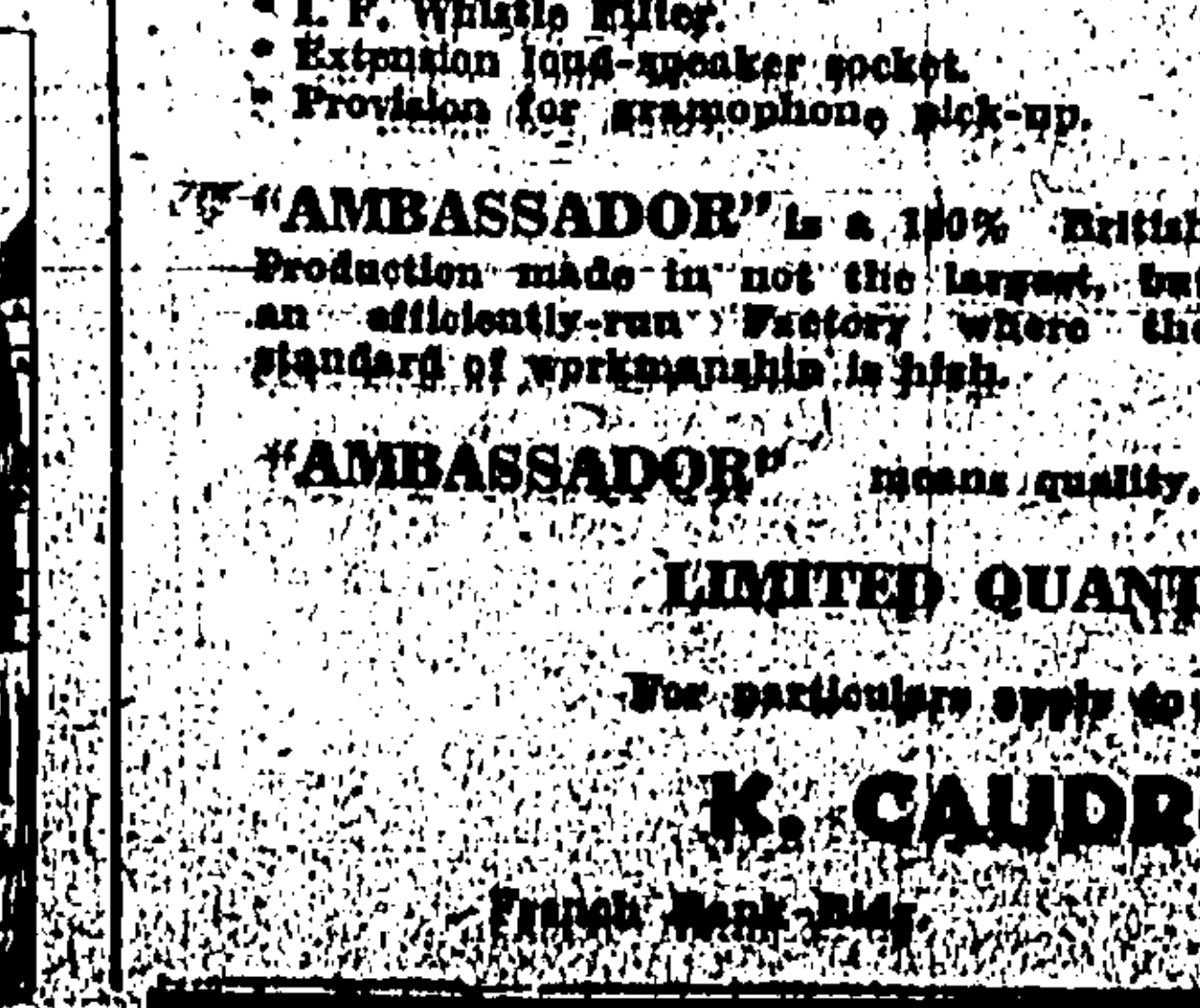
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The Annual General Meeting
of the above Society will be
held on Wednesday, 17th
March, 1948, in the Board
Room of The Hong Kong
Jockey Club, 1st Floor, Ex-
change Building, at 5.30 p.m.

The Agenda for the Meeting
is as follows:

- (1) To receive the Accounts of
the Society for the year
1947, together with the
Report of the Committee
for that year.
- (2) The election of Officers of
the Society.
- (3) Arrangements for St.
George's Day celebrations.
- (4) Any other business.

All Englishmen, whether
members of the Society or not,
are cordially invited to attend.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Ordinary Yearly
General Meeting of the Company
will be held at the Offices of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &
Company, Limited, Hongkong
on Wednesday, 24th day of
March, 1948, at 12 o'clock Noon,
to transact the ordinary busi-
ness of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY
ALSO GIVEN that the Regis-
ter of Members of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
10th to the 24th day of March,
1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1948.

THE HONGKONG ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Owing to unforeseen circum-
stances the meeting is postponed
to Tuesday, 9th March 1948 at
5.30 p.m. at the Y. W. C. A.,
Rutton Building, Duddell Street.

Agenda: — To receive reports
and accounts for the
past year.
To review and, if
thought fit, re-
vise the constitu-
tion and policy
of the Associa-
tion.
To elect officers.
T. P. WU,
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE is hereby given that
the Forty-sixth Ordinary Yearly
Meeting of the Members of this
Company will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wed-
nesday, the 17th day of March,
1948, at Noon, to receive the
Report of the Board of Direc-
tors and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1947, to elect Directors, and
to appoint Auditors.

Notice is also given that the
Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 4th
March, 1948, to the 17th March,
1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1948.
C. E. TERRY,
Manager & Secretary.

NOTICE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the thirty-ninth Ordinary
General Meeting of the Com-
pany will be held at the Offices of
Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd.,
3rd floor, Hong Kong Bank
Building, on Friday, the 19th
March, 1948, at 11 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving the Re-
port and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1947.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN
that the Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 5th March, 1948 to the 19th
March, 1948 both days inclu-
sive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
25th February, 1948.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and
Entry Forms for the Third
Extra Race Meeting to be held
on Saturday, 13th March, 1948
(weather permitting) may be
obtained at the Secretary's
Office, Exchange Building, the
Club House, Happy Valley, and
the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock
NOON on Thursday, 4th
March, 1948.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Actg. Secretary.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting
of the Association will be held
in the Board Room of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Com-
pany's Offices on Friday, 6th
March, 1948, at 5.30 p.m.

Business: Election of Officers
and Committee for the
ensuing year and any other matters.

All who have filled in and sent
in application forms or have
given notice of intention to
continue membership, are eligi-
ble to attend the above meet-
ing.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given
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ing of Shareholders of The
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Limited, will be held at the
Registered Office of the Com-
pany (Second Floor, Exchange
Building, Des Voeux Road
Central, Hong Kong) on
WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of
March, 1948, at 12 Noon,
for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Board of
Directors together with the
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December, 1947,
confirming the appointment of
a Director, re-electing a Director
and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 16th February, 1948, to the
3rd March, 1948, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
E. H. P. WHITE,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong 30th Jan., 1948.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that Mr. John Pau has re-
signed from his directorship and as
secretary of this Company as
from the 1st day of March,
1948 and that his duties as
such ceased from that date.

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WHY IS THE BAOR THERE?

There is a clamour for complete
withdrawal from Germany of our
military and civil personnel.
Rightly the critics say we cannot
afford the £170,000,000 a year the
Zone and the Berlin Sector are cost-
ing, and we cannot spare 124,000
men and women the administration
of the Zone.

Wrongly they charge our men and
women in Germany with wholesale
corruption, laziness, nepotism and
general degradation of the Union
Jack.

What It Costs

Not a thought has been given to
the consequences of withdrawal.
It is time to take a calm view of
this restless situation. We must see
what economies and improvements
can be made without resorting to
the extreme measure of throwing up
our hands in disgust and leaving
the Germans to fend for themselves
against one ally or throwing them
upon the charity of another.

This is what we have in Ger-
many: 100,000 military, of whom
2,000 are women's auxiliary ser-
vices; 24,000 civilian specialists,
clerical workers and artisans, of
whom about 5,000 are females.

Here is a breakdown of the cost:
—Army: £84,000,000 a year; Con-
sular Commission: £26,000,000 a year.
Of this last figure £71,000,000 a
year is for feeding the ex-enemy.
That leaves £13,000,000 a year spent
on salaries, transport, stationery,
propaganda, and a dozen and one
other administrative costs.

Impressive

To cut the cost altogether would
be foolhardy. I'll tell you why. It
could be cut by half. I'll tell you
how.

None of the four Powers occupy-
ing Germany is loved by the natives.
The Germans fear the Rus-
sians, loathe the French, despise the
Americans, and merely respect the
British.

Tommy Atkins impresses them.
The British Military Tattoo in Ber-
lin recently turned 7,000 citizens
away every night.

We cannot get out of Germany
for years. We must stay to make
certain that out of the melting pot
of Europe there are poured not two
adversaries but three, the biggest and
brightest symbolising our way of
life, the way that has through the
long centuries been copied by a
quarter of the world.

By cutting our costs of occupation,
streamlining our forces, and bring-
ing our civilians home we can com-
bine economy with efficiency, enthu-
siasm with effect.

Army's Task

First the Army, of which General
Sir Richard McCreery, its Comm-
ander, has reason to be proud. It is

in trim. The welfare facilities be-
come our culture. Our lads in Ger-
many are a credit to us.

But we must keep our eye on the
objective. Why is B.A.O.R. there?
If it is there to protect us from a
Russian advance it is pitifully small.
If it is there as a guarantee that
the Germans carry out the policies
we have decreed it is much too
large. We can only hope that the
second is its purpose and cut our
costs accordingly.

The present divisional formations
with heavy tails of corps troops
should be abolished. We need six
independent brigades, each self sup-
porting and highly mobile. They

By MCKENZIE PORTER

Who has just returned
from an investigation
of the British Zone

should consist of two airborne
brigades, two armoured and two
infantry. Placed strategically
throughout the zone they could be
on the scene of trouble in a matter
of minutes.

Constant Patrols

Constant patrolling with surprise
searches at frequent but irregular
intervals would discourage any fur-
ther German re-armament or black
marketing and would give to the
men that active-service flip which
they do not enjoy in the monoton-
ous repetition of platoon, company
and battalion training to-day.

Concentrate on a small force with
treacherous hunting power and light-
ning movement led by reliable offi-
cers invested with great authority to
take independent action when they
see fit.

In this way our forces could be
reduced from 100,000 to 25,000, save
us £40,000,000 a year, and release
75,000 men for essential work at
home.

As for the civilian organisation,
it is crying out for reform. It was
recruited largely during the last year
of the war when better men were
behind the guns. It is trying to do
what the Germans want to do and
could do for themselves. Of the
24,000 perhaps 4,000 key specialists
are "worked to death." The rest
are retained by "empire builders"
who need large staffs to justify their
jobs.

These staffs, through no fault of
their own, have little to do, and so
spend too much time in the many
luxury clubs, and waste too much
petrol gadding up and down the
country on bogus commissions.
Bring 20,000 of them home.

Put the 4,000 key men into the
Army and give them rank accord-
ing to their qualifications. Let them
police the zone. Charge them with
responsibility for seeing where the
Germans are going wrong and ad-
vising the Army on how a quick
correction might be carried out.

Watch Them!

Hand over administration to the
Germans—and watch them like a
hawk. Stop the indiscriminate dis-
mantling of German industrial
plants so that they can be used to
help the country pay its way. Shoot
any Germans who take advantage
of our trust to build secret arsenals.

Halve the £10,000,000 now being
spent on dollars to feed the Ger-
mans and see if their rations get
better.

HOW DENMARK CATCHES HER "SPIVS"

By JAMES WHITE

Down the street comes a
young man in a light raincoat.
Under his arm is a bulky brief-
case. He stops to speak to an-
other man. Something changes
hands and the young man con-
tinues on his way.

From the window of a house
on the opposite side of the road
a detective has been watching the
young man through a pair
of field glasses. As the two
men enter a second detective
speaks into the microphone of a
walkie-talkie: "K47, K47, get
ready, get ready. K47, K47,
orders follow in a minute, or
orders follow in minute." And
the "something" changes
hands and a third detective, armed
with a Leica with a telescopic
lens, takes a photograph of the
couple.

The second detective is
speaking again. "K47, K47
young man in a light raincoat
blue trousers, brown soft hat,
with black briefcase under his
arm, proceeding down Vester-
brogade in the direction of the
Townhall Square."

A nearby corner a
big, black police car, containing
four plain clothes men, leaves
the kerb and takes up the
chase. "There he is," remarks
one of the detectives quietly.
The car pulls in to the side of
the road and two men jump
out. "We're police," says one
of them, and shows his badge.
"Just you come along with us."

"What does on a peaceful
Denmark? Has someone stolen
carefully-guarded atomic se-
crets from the Copenhagen la-
boratory of Professor Niels
Bohr?"

Let's follow the police car
and see what happens. The
young man is a light raincoat
blue trousers, brown soft hat,
with black briefcase, a number
of mysterious scraps of paper with
the words "Super Saboteur"
written on them (a code may-
be?) and a notebook containing
addresses. The briefcase is less
interesting as it contains only
cigarettes.

shorter. They don't do too badly
in the country. And there is too
much selfishness among them which
will be cured only by throwing them
on their own resources.

Recently in the American sector
a group of farmers were found to
have harvested 62 per cent more
crops than they had declared. Only
this week, in our zone, thousands
of cattle, sheep and pigs, all un-
declared, have been discovered.
Some greedy Germans are feeding

better than you and I while their
compatriots grow daily more
emaciated.

On these lines the total saving
could be made of £110,000,000 a
year, or more than half the present
cost. And 95,000 men and women
could be brought home for indus-
try.

Further, that incalculable asset,
British prestige, would not be lower-
ed, but heightened for our over-
riding benefit and the good of the
world.

Note On Inflation

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
Note on Shanghai infla-
tion.—
An advertisement in a
Chinese afternoon news-
paper today offers the sale
of "easily changeable price
tags" designed to "solve the
trouble involved in chang-
ing prices daily." It "guar-
anteed fast colour despite
constant handling."—United
Press.

Evaded Y. 9,000,000 In Taxes

Tokyo, Mar. 1.
The "Mainichi" said the tax office
authorities today seized a Japanese
businessman's books in the home of
his concubine in Tokyo and discov-
ered he had evaded paying 9,222,000
yen in taxes in the past two years.
The paper said an informer told
he tax office that Kozo Yamada,
President of the Nodachi manufac-
turing firm, had been falsifying his
books.

An informer gets 10 per cent of
taxes collected in the tax office's drive
to increase tax collections.—United
Press.

U.S. CONSULAR INSPECTION

Canton, Mar. 1.
Mr. Laurence C. Frank,
Foreign Service Inspector of
the U.S. State Department,
looked over all units of the de-
partment in Canton last week.
He inspected the Consulate-
General on Fu Hing Road and
the new consulate building
across the street, the offices of
the military and naval attaches
and the United States Infor-
mation Service.

Mr. Frank left the United
States on Feb. 4 and arrived
here by air from Hong Kong
via London, India and Bangkok.
He is scheduled to leave today
for Shanghai.—Associated
Press.

YOUTH RALLY SHOT UP

Calcutta, March 1.
Special Branch police yester-
day arrested 11 persons including
Arabino Bose, nephew of the
late Subhas Chandra Bose, in
connection with Friday's shoot-
ing at a youth reception in
which two were killed.

A party of masked youths
broke up the reception for de-
legates to the Asia Youth Con-
ference with a barrage of shots.
One person was killed instantly
and another died in hospital.
Four were wounded.—United
Press.

Singapore, March 1.
Over 150,000 people visited the
nine-day Indian trade exhibition at
the Great World Park here, which
ended yesterday. Prospective buyers
filled up 4,000 forms for more in-
formation about the exhibits.—Reuter.

JAPANESE REPATRIATED

Tokyo, Mar. 1.
Sixty-one Japanese were repatriat-
ed from China during the week end-
ing February—26, SCAP reports,
bringing the total

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STERN GANG'S "REPRISAL" Mining Of British Army Leave Train Terrorists Boast Of Revenge

Jerusalem, Feb. 29.
The mining of the British leave train, in which 26 British soldiers were killed and 50 injured, was carried out by the Stern gang as "reprisal" for the explosion last Sunday in Jerusalem's Ben Yehuda Street, in which many Jews died. The Stern gang today sent messages to Hebrew newspapers boasting of their action.

Some of the soldiers injured in the explosion are seriously hurt and considered likely to die while a number are still missing and are believed to have been burned in the wreckage.

The mines were electrically detonated from the orange groves alongside the railway near the Jewish town of Rehovoth, 25 miles southeast of Tel-Aviv.

The force of the blast shattered the coaches, flinging them off the rails and derailing the train.

A fourth mine was dealt with by Army engineers before it exploded.

It was not known if there were any civilian casualties and it was feared that the final death toll might be heavier.

A Jewish eyewitness said the shattered coaches were flung on both sides of the railway lines.

Jews Help
As darkness fell tonight, rescuers were still digging in the wreckage for victims. The rescue workers were guided by the cries of the injured buried and trapped under the wreckage.

A Jewish boy scout gave first aid to the injured and Jewish ambulances helped to transport the victims to the military hospital.

Wrecked telephone lines hampered the speedy summoning of help.

The outrage occurred as a military headquarters proclamation issued here warned the population of Jerusalem that the British Army is prepared to use "weapons more powerful than those available to the Arabs or the Jews" to stop the Arab-Jewish fighting in the city.

Widow's Try For Record
Santa Paula, Calif., Feb. 29.
Comely Diane Converse Cyrus, 25-year-old war widow who flew her first plane five years ago, revealed today that she was seeking a backup for a solo three-day round-the-world flight.

She said she would fly her twin-engine A-26 converted bomber. She hopes to top off at least an hour from the 73 hours five minutes mark made by William P. Odom, although she would be flying an Equalizer route several thousand miles longer than Odom's.

Odom flew round the world last August in Milton Reynolds' Bombsell.

ACCRA CURFEW
Accra, Feb. 29.
A 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. curfew was imposed here today as more police were drafted into Accra after yesterday's rioting in which two African ex-servicemen were killed and 29 injured.

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AND WE, AS JUDGES WILL PLUMP FOR DOLORES, EH?

HAW! HAW! I RAFTER CARE FOR THAT!

MEANWHILE—

COME ON, GIRLS, THIS WAY FOR THE BEAUTY PARADE!



LONGEST PHOTO CIRCUIT

London, Feb. 29.
The nationalised Cable and Wireless Company will tomorrow open the longest photo-telegraph circuit in the world—from London to Wellington, New Zealand.

Pictures, which will travel more than 28,500 kilometres by radio, will be automatically relayed through Colombo, Ceylon. The pictures will reach their destination in 10 to 15 minutes.

New U.S. Export Controls

Washington, Feb. 29.
New export controls will be put into effect by the United States on Monday, tying in diplomatic and commercial aims.

The main objectives were described officially as to cushion the inflationary effect of foreign shipments on the U.S. economy and to "promote our foreign policy."

The new regulations, administered by the Commerce Department's Office of International Trade:

- 1—Require licences for all shipments to Europe of over \$100 value, whether or not the goods shipped are in short supply here.
- 2—Put the granting of licences to export short supply goods to any foreign country on a "competitive price" basis. Licences will be refused to exporters whose prices are considered too high.

The regulations are intended to support the European recovery programme and enable diversion of "essential" U.S. goods from Russia's Eastern Europe to the ERP Western European nations.

Threat To U.S. Oil Supplies

Cairo, Mar. 1.
Saudi Arabia will cancel American oil concessions and order Americans out of the country immediately "when the Arab governments take a joint decision to cancel American concessions," Emir Faisal of Saudi Arabia told a Cairo newspaper yesterday.

Faisal, who is Foreign Minister of the oil-rich desert kingdom, discussed the situation arising from American support of Palestine partition in an interview with "Al Misi" representative at the Saudi Arabian port of Jeddah.

Oil is Saudi Arabia's only resource.

Ayud Bey El Selh, Premier of the Lebanon told the Associated Press a few days ago that the Arab League has agreed to prevent the proposed American pipeline from Saudi Arabian oilfields to the Mediterranean from operating in any Arab state.

The Arab League comprises representatives of seven Arab Governments.

BUTTER FOR DOENITZ

Berlin, Feb. 29.
Berlin press reports today said that ex-Admiral Doenitz, now serving a 10-year sentence at Spandau Prison here, had been given an additional small ration of butter due to his loss of weight.

The Russian-licensed newspaper, Tagesschau, said Doenitz would be given an additional 510 grammes of butter a fortnight to bring his weight to normal.

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DEATH.

TANG—On February 29, 1948, in a racing accident, Tang Man-wai, third son of the late Mr. Tang Leung-chi. Aged 40 years. The funeral will leave the Hong Kong Funeral Parlour, Wanchai Road, to the Chinese Permanent Cemetery, Aberdeen, passing the Monument at Happy Valley, at 3.30 p.m.

LION-BAITING

A fortnight ago, in the House of Commons debate on foreign policy, Mr. Bevin made the interesting claim that Britain's relationship with practically the whole world was better now than ever before.

But what are the facts? Assume that the qualifying "practically" was an acknowledgment of Russia's rapt attitude to Great Britain—and that no title. What is left?

The Russian-dominated half of Europe daily reviles all that we stand for. A militant and influential minority in the United States accuses us of oppression in Palestine at a time when our soldiers there are murdered every week without retaliation.

Our affairs in the Middle East are disordered. Egyptian demonstrators call on us to abandon our legitimate interests in that area; in Iraq a treaty with us is repudiated.

And now Argentina, Chile, and, for light relief, Guatemala, all challenge our authority in lands that we have administered for a century.

The two former countries sent warships to Antarctica to back their campaigns, and calm any apprehension they might feel with the thought that Albania itself mined and murdered British sailors without retribution.

Mr. Bevin is not responsible for these things. He cannot control Mr. Molotov, Irgun Zvai Lemmi, or President Peron. But Mr. Bevin is grievously at fault for inviting a sagger at our expense.

Embarrassing

Dare we mention a point that appears to have been overlooked when legislation was placed on the local statute book making women eligible and liable for jury service?

Mixed juries were very far from men's thoughts when the Supreme Court was constructed and in consequence the available toilet facilities are not designed to cater adequately for the new conditions. Additional embarrassment arises when the jury retires to consider its verdict, since the Usher has taken an oath to keep all the members of the jury together and suffer no person to speak to them.

Two remedies suggest themselves. One, readily apparent, is that women should be provided with separate toilet arrangements. The other is that there should be a woman usher into whose charge the women members of the jury should be entrusted.

Large numbers of women are now carrying out jury service regularly, some of them spending two or three days in court. The present unsatisfactory arrangements cannot be tolerated indefinitely.

COMMITTED TO SABOTAGE

Greenock, Feb. 29. Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, speaking at Greenock today, declared: "I say, meaning my words, that the Communist Party in Great Britain and Western Europe is committed to a calculated policy of sabotage."

Communist efforts aimed at chaos and misery, Mr. McNeill said, because only in such conditions could they hope to impose their will upon the social democratic people of Britain—Reuter.

Ralph Izzard reports from India on a problem exercising all Christian minds.

Fears that the historic British churches in India will be abandoned and left derelict now that Britain's rule is over are groundless.

Most misapprehensions seem to have arisen over the fate of 240 churches formerly maintained by the Crown.

These, it may be pointed out, are merely a fraction of the churches spread throughout the country. Responsibility for maintenance in their case now devolves upon the Governments of India and Pakistan.

Preserve Them

It is naturally unfair to expect either Government to continue to pay for the upkeep of any churches which will obviously no longer be required. Those few (they are not very many out of the 240) will have to be abandoned.

A special committee headed by the Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan of the Church of India, Burma, and Ceylon, and including representatives of the British High Commissioners in India and Pakistan, is now examining the case of each of the 240 churches and will shortly make recommendations concerning them.

The committee's policy is to preserve rather than scrap; to determine whether, if a congregation no longer exists to support a church, the building can be used as, say, a hospital, school, or museum.

In no case, of course, will a church be surrendered for worship to any other but the Christian Faith.

Churches which inevitably must be abandoned are those situated in the remote garrison cantonments which will never see a British soldier again. An outstanding example is the little church at Razmak, Waziristan.

Now that even the Pakistan Army has withdrawn from this

sector of the North-West Frontier Tribal Territory and left Razmak to the mercy of fanatical Moslem Waziris and Mahsuds, it is questionable whether the district, let alone the church, will ever see another Christian.

A small number of other remote garrison churches, many of them unconsecrated in order that they might serve all denominations, will share the same fate.

Not, possibly, the historic little garrison church at Meerut, where there must still be a sizeable community of Anglo-Indians and Indian Christians, the latter the now workless servants of British officers formerly stationed there.

It was in this church that British troops were surprised at prayers at the moment the Indian Mutiny broke out in 1857. From that date it had become traditional for British troops stationed in Meerut to take with them their rifles, for which notches were provided in the prayer-book racks.

Like A Fort

In spite of this now unfortunate association with what is currently known here as "The First Indian War of Independence," I noticed with pleasure as I passed through Meerut the other day that the church had very recently been freshly painted and decorated.

A church which comes very near the "no further use" category is big, blunt St. Mary's in Delhi Cantonment. It looks like a fort, and although it was not built to serve as such in times of emergency, most people think it was.

St. Mary's past parishioners were almost exclusively soldiers of the British garrison; when the last British troops to leave the capital—the Royal Scots Fusiliers and the East Lancs—pulled out last December, they left their bungalows and lines round the church to be occupied by Madras Sappers and Miners and Nepalese of the 6th Gurkha Rifles.

Skinner's Church

The British community still here is served by at least two famous churches—the Church of the Redemption, standing next to the Viceroy's (now the Governor-General's) House, in New Delhi, which although recently built has already seen Thanksgiving Services on many state occasions—and historic St. James's, in Old Delhi.

The latter was built by an Anglo-Indian, Colonel James Skinner, founder of the renowned Skinner's Horse. St. Mary's, although now deserted, is likely to be revived and converted into a museum.

India, of course, possesses many churches of great historical interest, and the Department of Archaeology of the Government of India has already gladly consented to take care of them.

The most famous, if only by right of age, is that of St. Mary's, in Fort Saint George, Madras. This church is claimed to be the oldest British church in Asia. It was founded in 1680 and followed completion of the Fort, commenced in 1640.

Here Robert Clive was married, and regular church attendants included, later, the then Duke of Wexley, and, earlier, Elihu Yale, Governor of Madras in 1687 and founder of Yale University in America.

He was founder by virtue of his having supplied thirty to forty books for the library and three trunks of valuables assessed at £800, in answer to a begging letter from Boston, Massachusetts, addressed to his home town of Boston, England, whether he had retired after his term of office in India.

A silver alms dish, presented to St. Mary's by Elihu, is still in use. The church also contains a fine painting of Last Supper attributed to the school of Raphael, who may himself have painted the middle part.

The roof of this church was built two feet thick to resist French cannon-balls, for the Fort in which it stands was once taken by the French and once besieged unsuccessfully by them.

Solid Defence

At that time, tombstones in the graveyard, including that of the wife of Alan, Balcar, first Governor of Madras, who died in 1682, were reported in order to make a solid platform for the defenders' guns.

100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail")

A very daring Street Robbery was perpetrated on Wednesday evening last, almost within a stone's throw of the Central Police Station in Wellington Street.

Mr. William Ellis was suddenly seized and thrown down by some miscreants, and with an expertness and dexterity rivaling that of the most finished London "crackman," or whatever other term the robber of the Pave is known by, robbed of a valuable gold watch and appendages, with which the robbers made clear off.

Mr. Ellis gave immediate information at the Police Station; but no trace of the watch or the thieves could be obtained through the officers of the establishment. The watch possessing more than intrinsic value to its owner, Mr. Ellis employed the only feasible plan to regain it—the employing of a Chinese agency, in which he was successful. Two men have been taken up on suspicion, and we trust the robbery will be brought home to them.

On a former similar occasion, we advertised on the very inefficient Police force at the command of the Superintendent and his deputy—men who crawl along their several beats more asleep than awake—their huge, ill-fitting boots and shoes apparently a burthen to them—when that active, supple Chinaman would distance in a hundred yards.

With the hordes of vagabonds which we have congregated in the Lower Bazaar, such robberies will become daily more common until we have an efficient, stout, active body of men to be our guardians. And surely with the Police rates the community is called on to pay, a more powerful and efficient force should be at its service?

The A-1 Fast-sailing American ship "Charles Cooper," Captain Cutts, will be despatched about the 5th for Singapore and Calcutta. The "Iris," Captain Dobson, 250 tons, has the greater part of her cargo alongside, and will have immediate despatch for Shanghai. She has first-class accommodation for passengers.

INDIA STILL WANTS THESE CHURCHES

Ralph Izzard Reports From India On a problem which is exercising all Christian minds

Hung in St. Mary's are the colours of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, who were serving in Madras in 1922 when the Irish regiments were broken up. A long and honourable fighting career had brought this regiment back to the place of its foundation, for it was in Madras, in 1668, that it was first raised as the 1st Battalion the Madras European Regiment in the service of the East India Company.

Another famous church which will be preserved by the Department of Archaeology is St. John's, Calcutta, founded in 1734. This church also contains a fine painting of the Last Supper, by John Zoffany, who used local celebrities as models for the heads of the Apostles. It is said that he painted a portrait of his greatest personal enemy of the time as the head of Judas Iscariot.

This church boasts some magnificent plate and some noble sculpture. It stands in the old burial ground which is said to contain 16,000 British bodies within its limits of 6½ acres. There is Job Charnock, founder of Calcutta, who died in 1693, and the only Viceroy to be buried in India, the Marquis Cornwallis, conqueror of Tipu Sahib at the Battle of Seringapatam, who died in 1805.

The only modern grave is that of Lord Baulbourn, who died in 1938 when Governor of Bengal.

The problem of the preservation of cemeteries and graveyards throughout India is also being studied by the Metropolitan Committee, but it is one beset with peculiar difficulties.

Certain cemeteries such as that in South Park Street, Calcutta, have an historical value as has also the oldest graveyard in India, at Agra, beneath which lies John Midenhall, an unrepentant merchant adventurer who died of poisoning in 1614 after cheating his way through half Asia.

Lonely Graves

Cemeteries still within Christian reach will undoubtedly be cared for, but many lonely graves of possible sentimental value to relatives of the dead still living now lie beyond the normal range of Christian activity.

A painstaking inventory of all such monuments is now being taken, and relatives can rest assured that all possible will be done.

Relatives of those killed in the past two World Wars need have no fear that the graves of their kin will not be tended wherever they may be. Such come under the care of the Imperial War Graves Commission, incorporated by Royal Charter and financed by Great Britain.

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Solving The Riddle Of The Universe

One clear night in the next three months an astronomer called Edwin Hubble will look 1,000,000,000 light-years into the universe through the greatest telescope ever built.

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Every astronomer and physicist from the back-garden and the Domipions. All such graves are regularly inspected and kept in order.

Indian Christians (including those in Pakistan) now number more than six millions; to them one may add 140,000 Anglo-Indians.

Faithful Clergy

European members of the Christian Church here, in their hey-day, can seldom have numbered more than 167,000, a mere fraction of the whole.

India will remain well served with clergy; the latest figures I have available (1939) show that Indian clergy then already outnumbered Europeans by two to one in both the Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches, and it is, of course, a foregone conclusion that very many of the European clergy will choose to remain here.

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watcher to Einstein expects to find proof of pet theories about the universe when the findings from Palomar are revealed.

Sir Harold Spencer Jones, Britain's Astronomer Royal, told me some of the things which the Palomar "eye" is expected to prove—or disprove.

Search For Stars

The main research will be the study of distant galaxies and groups of stars, and Sir Harold expects that this will show proof that the universe is "finite."

Astronomers feel that there is a limit to the universe, but that it has no definable physical boundary—a difficult proposition for the layman to understand, but Sir Harold explains it this way:

"There may be other universes beyond our own. But the light from them can never be seen because of some unknown barrier which is the end of our universe."

It is hoped that the finite-without-a-boundary theory will be proved by counting groups of stars visible in the part of the universe man will now be able to explore.

It has been found that the groups are distributed evenly, but a thinning-out is suspected beyond the 500,000,000-light-year limit.

If this is found to be true it will also help to prove more complicated theories about curved light and space.

Sir Harold, who hopes to go to California himself, says: "Palomar will also be used for work on determining the nature of stars which are bright to the eye."

"Because of the large reflector, it will be possible to determine what are their properties as easily as we can tell the sun's now."

Search For Life

Mars, Venus, and Jupiter are the planets which astronomers want to know about. They believe there is vegetation on Mars—but not men—and that Palomar will prove this to be so.

Venus, which is the planet most like the earth in size, is believed to have an atmosphere which is dry. Yet clouds have been seen.

It is now thought that instead of being made of water vapour they are of the chemical formaldehyde (which is used on earth in disinfectants and for preserving bodies).

Jupiter has got some puzzling spots and queer colours in its atmosphere which astronomers have been discussing for years.

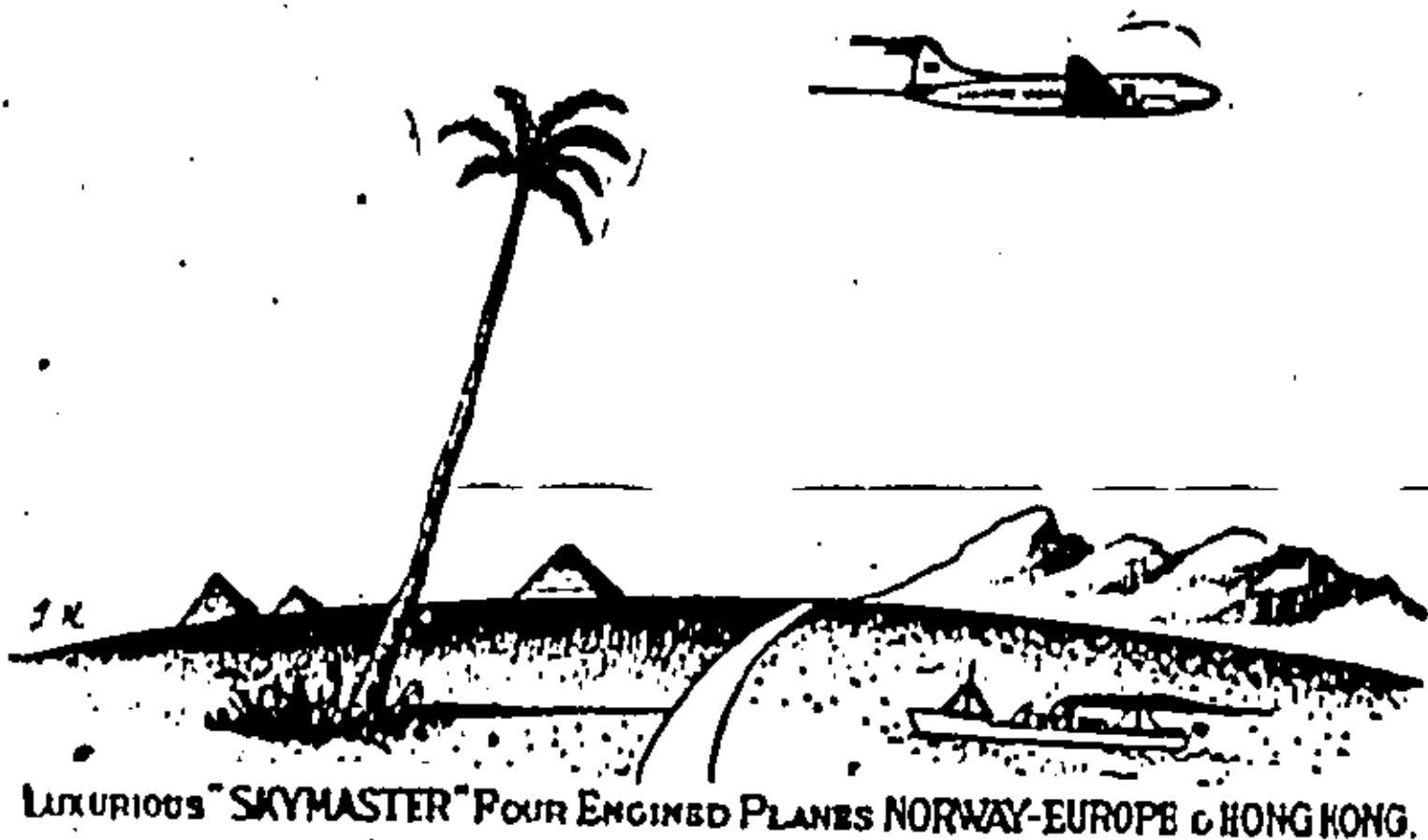
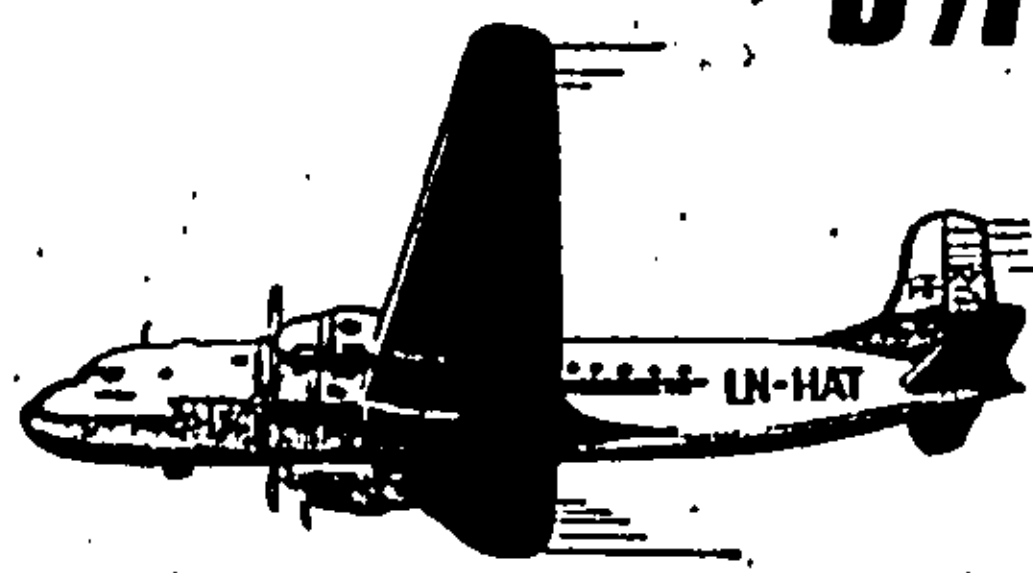
They may have to debate for several years more, because the study and proof of the mysteries of the universe will take a long time.

But they have waited 20 years for the Palomar telescope to be built. The most important part is the 200-in. curved glass disc, which weighs 20 tons and had to be polished and ground so

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U.S. PULLING NO PUNCHES

Stinging Denunciation Of Communism

Danger Of Global Revolution

Washington, Feb. 29.

The House Foreign Affairs sub-committee today called on the United States to take the lead in fencing off Communist Russia from the non-Communist world or face a "violent" global revolution.

The Committee issued a long report called "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism" as the Senate President, Arthur Vandenberg, prepared to open a Congressional debate on the European recovery programme.

It added up to one of the most stinging denunciations of the Red philosophy objectives ever handed out by an arm of the Federal Government and drew these "simple conclusions of the Soviet policy":

1. The Communists have one goal—world revolution.

2. They assume that the revolution will be violent.

3. They are incapable of accepting the idea that peace can endure from now on and they expect one more catastrophic war.

The report did not stop with that indictment. It warned Americans that they are playing with "loaded dice" when they join "democratic" groups used by the Communists to advance their ends.

Infiltration

It added that the Communists have infiltrated into labour groups, or organizations housing civil rights and clean politics movements and liberal groups of all kinds.

The Committee is headed by Representative Frances P. Bolton (Republican, Ohio) and its report came on the 10th anniversary of the "Communist Manifesto," the touchstone of the Soviet policy. Its ambition for world Communism is an all-out effort to establish an economically strong non-Communist bloc headed by the United States and including Western Europe, China, Near East and the Western Hemisphere.

Vandenberg is expected to take a similar tack when he formally speaks on the 12-month \$2,300,000,000 European recovery programme before the Senate.

Urgent

He hopes that the Senate can vote on the plan by March 15. He said quick action is even more urgent in view of the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia and new pressure on Finland.

After the recovery programme is disposed of, Vandenberg's Senate Foreign Relations Committee will be

Yalta Was A Second Munich

Paris, Feb. 29.

M. Gaston Palewski, General de Gaulle's "right hand man" and a former executive of his Rally of the French people, said at Bayonne, south-western France, today that the wartime Yalta was a "Second Munich"—and the Communist seizure of power in Czechoslovakia was its aftermath.

To counteract the "Soviet expansion which threatened the world's peace," he suggested the inauguration of a European federation capable of re-establishing prosperity and creating a strategically solid bloc.

He urged his hearers to "hasten the accession of the Rally of the French People to power in France by demanding the dissolution of the present National Assembly and the elimination of the Third Force (the grouping of Centrist parties), which has taken the wrong road."—Reuter.

PRAGUE COUP CONDEMNED

Paris, Feb. 29.

A resolution condemning the "coup d'etat committed in Prague against democracy and the installation of a minority dictatorship" was passed tonight by the National Committee of the Popular Republican (MRP) Party.

The Committee adopted another resolution pledging support to the Prime Minister, M. Robert Schuman, for his "courage and disinterestedness in vigorously pursuing the economic restoration of France and his fight against rising prices."—Reuter.

GENERAL KILLED

Baden, Feb. 29.

General Francois Svez, Deputy Commander of the French occupation forces in Germany, was killed today in a hunting accident. German news agency messages said, quoting a French military government announcement, "Reuter."

HE GAMBLLED HIMSELF AWAY

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

Yao Chang set a new standard for the Chinese passion for gambling. He gambled away his money, clothes and, finally, himself.

The youth came out of a 24-hour gambling session heavily in debt. His creditors suggested he volunteer for military service "for a price" in place of another who had been drafted and did not want to go.

Yao is now in the Army. His creditors get CN\$30,000. —Associated Press.

Whistles To Celebrate

Buenos Aires, Feb. 29.

All Argentina's 3,200 locomotives will halt for five minutes at 6.55 p.m. (local time) tomorrow and blow a long blast on their whistles to mark the formal transfer of the British-owned railway system to Argentine control.

As Senor Miguel Miranda, who negotiated the \$150 million deal, raises the Argentine flag over the main railway station here, the President of Argentina, General Juan Peron, will give the signal to the country's oldest engine driver to sound the whistle of "La Potencia"—a pioneer steam locomotive.

Argentine ships, wherever they may be, and factories will join in the triumphal blast while church bells toll.

Thousands of people will crowd the station and the adjoining Plaza Britanica for the elaborate ceremony.—Reuter.

"NO THIRD ROAD FOR CHINA TO FOLLOW"

Shanghai, March 1.

The only hope of salvation for China, which is now facing the most serious crisis in her history, lay in the successful prosecution of an anti-Communist suppression campaign, declared General Wu Te-chen, Secretary-General of the Kuomintang and Vice-President of the Legislative Yuan, in an address here yesterday afternoon before a large gathering of Shanghai-trained militia cadets.

The Chinese people—particularly the Chinese youth—must understand the nation is in a serious crisis, General Wu told the audience.

"Today there are only two roads open: one leads to salvation and national reconstruction guided by the Three People's Principles and the other leads to destruction under roving Communists who are sure to bring disaster to the nation and the people."

"Should we take the wrong road China would degenerate into the status of a member of a totalitarian state in exactly the same manner as satellite countries in Eastern Europe have become today."

Red Tools

"There is no third road for us to follow. The so-called middle line is actually a line of vacillation. Furthermore some of the people who are advocating a middle line have become tools of the Communists. They fail to realize

REJECTED SUDAN PROPOSAL

Cairo, Feb. 29.

The Egyptian Cabinet tonight rejected British proposals for the "Sudanization" of the Sudan, it was authoritatively understood.—Reuter.

Plan For Japan Recovery

Washington, Feb. 29.

A US\$500,000,000 economic recovery programme for Japan was proposed today by a House Foreign Affairs Committee consultant.

In a report to the Committee, William Montgomery McGovern called Japan "the bastion of pro-American sympathy and ideology in the Far East."

He said that "as long as it remains reasonably prosperous it forms a bulwark against Communism. It has an importance to the Far East not unlike Germany for Europe."

McGovern, Professor of Political Science at Northwestern University, toured the Orient for the Committee last year. The Committee has not acted on his report.

McGovern also recommended financial aid to China for economic recovery. He estimated US\$600,000,000 to US\$800,000,000 would be needed over a three to four year period.—Associated Press.

VD Rampant In Japan Force

Sydney, Feb. 29.

B. J. McDonald, Federal President of the Legion of Ex-Servicemen, today said that an Australian soldier who had served in the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan had made a statement that a large proportion of Australian troops in Japan had venereal disease.

Mr. McDonald said the soldier declared in a sworn statement that out of 8,000 Australians in Japan, between 30 and 50 men were admitted to hospital daily with venereal disease. The soldier alleged that officers to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and one padre were treated for the disease.

Mr. McDonald said that on the troopship in which the soldier returned to Australia, 611 of the 900 Australian soldiers had contracted venereal disease in Japan.—United Press.

ROYAL COUPLE IN PARIS

Paris, Feb. 29.

Ex-King Michael of Rumania and Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma arrived in Paris today by road from Lausanne.—Reuter.

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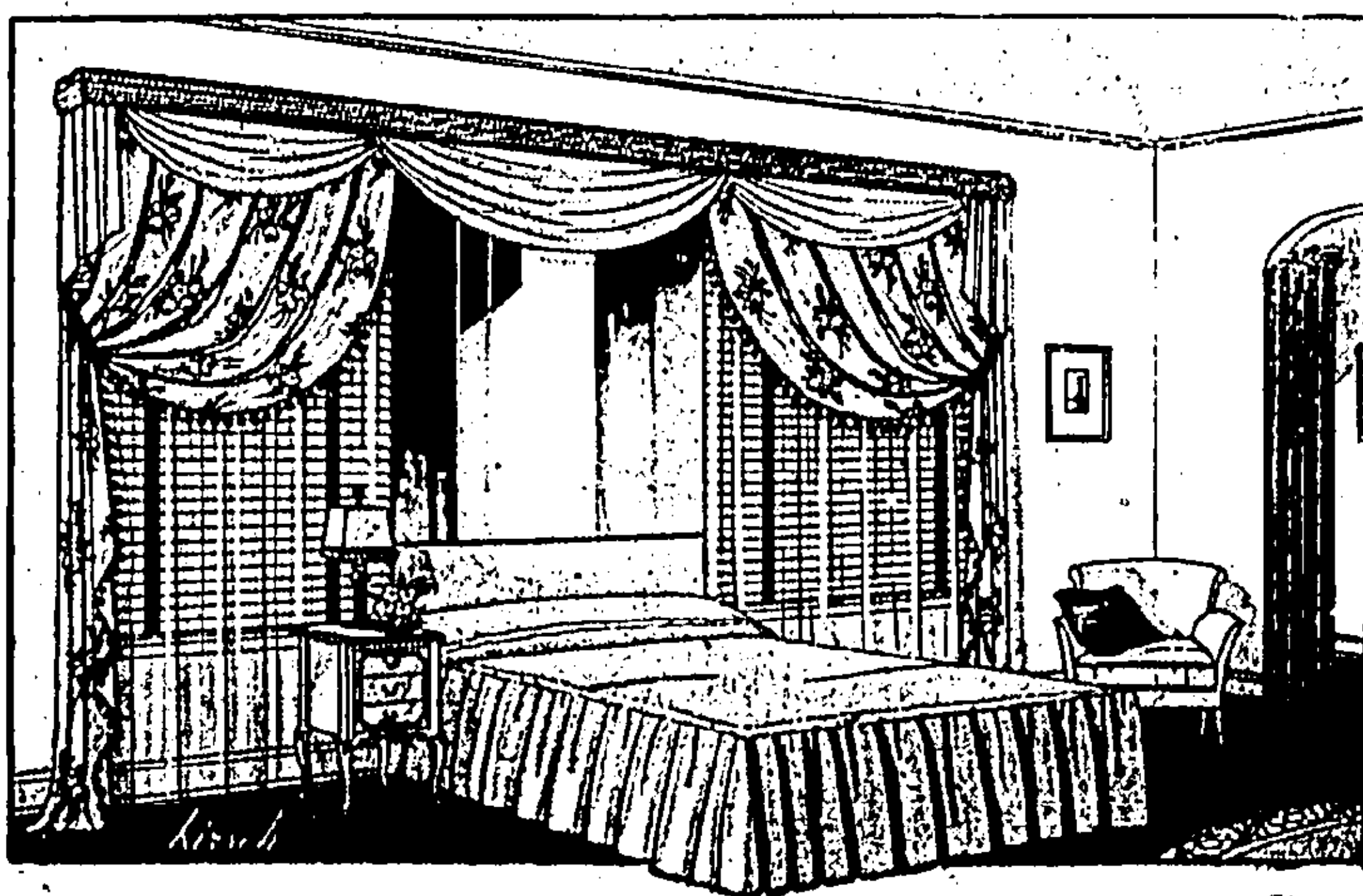
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Alix Lamotte Goes The Rounds
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WHAT THE FRENCH DRESS DESIGNERS ARE SHOWING

Paris has been waiting anxiously to know what Christian Dior would produce for his spring collection. Now we know. He has retained the same line, but simplified it so that today it is younger, more buoyant, and more becoming. Dior has introduced the "flying" line, with the fullness swept from front to back, giving a windswept look.

Shoulders are soft. The waists in this collection are still "strangled" in curved black patent leather belts, but the hips remain natural without padding, and for daytime the skirt length is twelve inches from the ground.

Coats have a distinct "Eiffel Tower" silhouette, narrow on the shoulders and very wide at the hem. Tailored suits consist of jackets, softly bloused like a peasant's and flaring out into a basque in front.

Dior divided afternoon dresses into two kinds—those with a "starched" stiffness and those with soft, flowing lines. The former are lined from the waist downwards with coarse tailor's canvas which gives them a dancing doll effect.

Except for some narrow evening dresses, where the neck and shoulders emerge from a petal-like décolleté, the fullness in this spring collection begins below the hips. Bodices are unimportant and interest is concentrated overwhelmingly on the skirt. The hems of many dresses are irregular. Dior's hats are swept completely to one side of the head and with their wings and feathers add a final "flying" line to the collection.

Molynier has achieved his most beautiful collection for



A GARMENT OF MANY COLOURS.—This evening gown made of scraps of 31 different shades of silk crepe was presented by Paris designer Jacques Fath to draw attention to French dressmakers' complaints of lack of silk. Fath claimed it would be "the most beautiful dress in the world" if he could have made it all in one colour. Lacking dollars, he says the French dress industry can't get enough silk. He says the French should be able to get silk from American stockpiles and pay for it in "esthetic services."

many years, happily inspired by the French Impressionist paintings of Manet and Renoir, of which he is a connoisseur. Shoulders of his models are rounded, waists tiny and hips accentuated. Tailored jackets are short, with floating basques, and button down the front to fit the figure very closely. Afternoon dresses are often gathered to show taffeta or broderie anglaise petticoats beneath. The Kate Greenaway influence also appears, with mannequins carrying umbrellas in pink organdie or tартan to match little booties.

Paquin showed a fairy-like collection with dresses long and full. Collars of evening models in tulle or chiffon are delightful: in one striking frock three different tones of grey were married with three shades of pink.

Lanvin replaces tailored suits with pastel jersey dresses. For afternoon there are navy

woollen ensembles. Evening crinolines are trimmed with enormous satin belts ending in a huge bow at one side.

Balmain is the only designer who has raised the waistline. Alone among the new models his sleeves are not kimono-shaped, and his shoulders are slightly padded. Coats of brightly coloured woollens are tremendously wide.

Waistline

Bolmain deliberately neglects the wide skirt for day wear. His dresses are "definitely sheathlike, falling to twelve inches from the ground. He uses many small buttons, purely for ornament. The influence of his recent journey round the world is shown in glazed-chintz dresses printed with bright flower designs and in the clusters of exotic flowers worn behind the ear with some models.

Exit The Padded Hips

Dior created the New Look. Now he breaks it wide open.

Designers who gambled on the hope that he would retain his Paris hips of last year are now counting their losses.

These are the facts: the waist remains small, and slightly higher, but all padding has been removed.

Christian Dior used to draw fashion sketches for the Graphic. He is a former member of the Kemsky staff in Paris. Now, as the "man in the news" in the Avenue Montaigne he has revolutionized fashion. In the past year he has shattered the Hollywood wardrobe by changing the feminine silhouette.

How does he do it—these changes? He looks out of his window and watches people. The workman's apron accounts for the big, black, pleated aprons for women among his new styles.

Hong Kong Council Women Are Civic-Minded

Making an earnest bid to arouse interest among the women of the Colony towards civic activities and public affairs is the Hong Kong Council of Women. Formed last August by a few members of the local community, the Council now has a total of well over a hundred enthusiasts of which large number are businesswomen occupying full time positions in the Colony.

The Council's Executive Committee has divided them into six sectional committees, and three sub-committees which function among the various social "pillars" of the Hong Kong Government Administration by attending their meetings and discussing topical problems. Perhaps the most important of them is the Public Health Section Committee of the Council which is made up of a group of its women members who in their spare time conduct enquiries into matters affecting public health work and disseminate literature on health, maternity, child welfare and clinics. Its Housing Committee which examines the general conditions of accommodation in the Colony, considers among itself all housing problems with a view to improving conditions by periodic reports to the Council.

Local Industry

Other divisions of the Council women members include a section which is active towards local industry. They investigate (and where possible) promote improvement of industrial conditions for women and children and also collect information and distribute knowledge about them.

The Council's committee of International Affairs and the Promotion of Peace collects and disseminates information regarding the work of the United Nations Organisation and all societies which are at present working for peace. Another sectional Committee devotes its free time to

Public Service and Legislation and it is the duty of members appointed to this group to watch the administration of legislation with a view to securing efficient working, suggest improvements, follow the administration of law in the courts, and bring into touch with one another women engaged in public service. They also consider and report to the Executive Committee on Orders

By

MARGARET BRADBURY

in Council and other forms of proposed legislation and the promotion of new laws "for the purpose of forming resolutions to be sent to the Government." The Council's chairman, yesterday explained that the three sub-committees, as distinct from the sectional committees, are dissolved when their work is completed. Most interesting of these, and one which might have an important future bearing on the lives of many women who find themselves in the Colony's law courts is the Poor Persons' Legal Aid Service. A group of women is at present studying this subject in detail with a view to finding a working resolution which could be put in practice in the Colony.

Affiliation

The Hong Kong Council of Women hopes in time to become affiliated with the International Women's Council, when its activities and decisions will be exchanged internationally at the annual meetings of this world-wide body.

In the meantime, through lectures and other methods, it hopes to get an interested public

opinion fostered among the women of the Colony. In an interview yesterday the Council's Secretary said: "We are glad to receive any members of the community of women who are over 18 and able to read and write, whether or not they have any great knowledge of public and of great value in promoting better informed women in social work and activities, outside their own."

Another object which the Executive Committee have at present in view, is affiliating all organisations in the Colony whose work is in harmony with the Council. This they feel would be of great value in promoting better informed women in social work and activities, outside their own.

The Objects

Objects of the Hong Kong Council of Women.

1. To promote the social, civil, educational, moral and religious welfare of the community, and the establishment of human rights.
2. To promote such conditions of life as will assure to every child an opportunity for full and free development.
3. To work for the removal of all disabilities for women, whether legal, social or economic.
4. To collect and re-distribute information of service to the community.
5. To co-ordinate organisations in harmony with these purposes.
6. To form a link with other Councils of Women through the International Council of women.

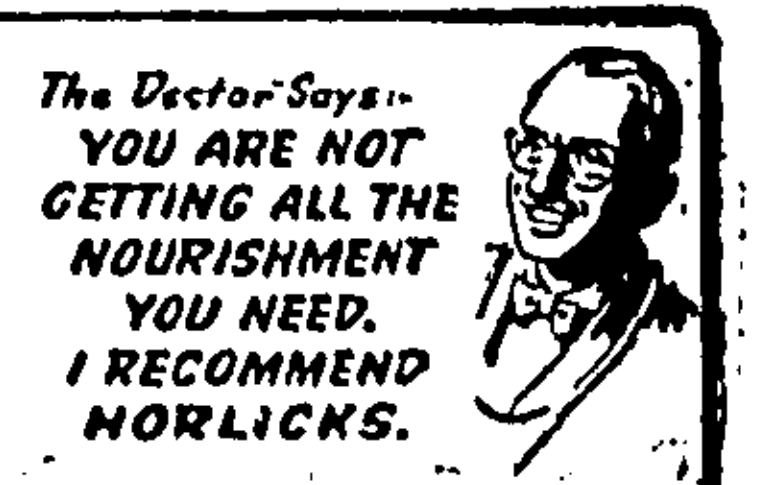
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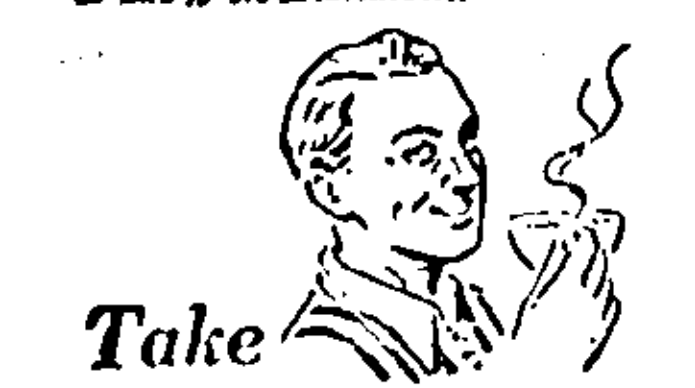
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By ALEXANDER CLIFFORD

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Strikers Shut Down Port Of Brisbane

Brisbane, Mar. 1.
Dock workers and seamen today shut down the port of Brisbane. They threatened that no ship would be able to enter or leave "until the government capitulates to the railwaymen" who have been on strike for three weeks.

The Queensland Government, which declared a state of emergency in an effort to get the 10,000 striking rail workers back, admitted that its back to work movement met with "poor response." Only six trains ran today from the Ipswich yards where the dispute over pay increases originated.

All Queensland police were called out to protect the few workers who showed up to man the trains, but the crowd which gathered around the yards caused no trouble.

The men demanded raises ranging from 11 to 16 shillings a week but refused a Government offer to take their case to the arbitration court.

Dock workers said they would

halt shipping along the Queensland coast unless the Government lifted its state of emergency. Food supplies to northern towns cut off by the rail strike have been diverted by coastal shipping.

Sydney, Too

Meanwhile, it was reported that the portage staff at the Darling harbour freight depot in Sydney refused today to handle freight to and from Queensland.

Darling harbour is the central rail distributing centre for New South Wales. The porters' "hands-off" decision marks the first inter-state extension of the Queensland labour trouble.

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RUSSIAN CONSOLIDATION Czechs Extending System Of Alliance

"No Time To Lose" --- Schuman

Paris, Feb. 29.
The Premier, M. Robert Schuman, tonight said that France, in the military sense, "was behind and had no time to lose."

Addressing a national rally of the Popular Republican Party, M. Schuman added: "I do not speak because there is a particular urgency, but because there is always an urgency in this respect."
He described France as one of the last bastions of civilisation, declaring: "It is not enough for us to draw another iron curtain to guarantee our security."
"Uncertainty prevails everywhere. Anything may happen. Nothing is inevitable either within this country or outside."
"We must not show exaggerated pessimism but we must anticipate everything."
"We must keep our eyes open beyond our frontiers and in this respect I do not judge European affairs only in relation to the USSR."
"We know that in France we must exert to restore well-being to our country. By social peace and justice we shall present the most effective opposition to Communism."—Reuter.

Children's Relief Appeal

Nanking, Mar. 1.
The China Committee of the United Nations appeal for children decided at its inaugural meeting yesterday afternoon to raise a sum of CN\$100,000 million within the coming three months for child relief.
The feature of the meeting was an appeal by Madame Chiang Kai-shek to China to do her part "to the utmost of her ability." She said that of 300,000,000 destitute children in the world 24,000,000 lived in China and said the citizens of China should awaken to their personal obligation in this matter.
After instancing a recent United Nations appropriation for children's welfare in China, Madame Chiang said: "I am sure you will agree with me that we should not always be on the receiving end. Let us remember it is more blessed to give than to receive."
She assured that every cent raised would be distributed among needy children irrespective of race, creed and nationality or political belief.—Reuter.

"Collaboration" With West

Paris, Feb. 29.
New steps towards consolidation of the Russian bloc of Eastern European states were promised by M. Vladimir Clementis, Czechoslovak Deputy Foreign Minister, in a message today to l'Humanite, the French Communist newspaper.
M. Clementis stated: "We have the intention within the next few weeks of completing our system of alliance by signing treaties, particularly with Bulgaria and Rumania."

"Nothing has changed our desire to collaborate with the Western States by concluding bilateral agreements with them in the realm of national sovereignty."
Of future events in Czechoslovakia, M. Clementis said: "The new system will not cause any fundamental changes. The new Gottwald Cabinet will realise, as rapidly as possible, the programme which it planned and whose realisation was confided to it by the last elections."

Foreign Policy
"We will continue with these free elections, which will take place on a date to be fixed by the law."

"In the domain of exterior policy, we will continue to rely on our treaties of alliances, which have been directed against the possibility of a renaissance of Germany or of any of Germany's allies, no matter who they may be."
The Paris paper l'Ordre today published an interview with M. Jan Masaryk, Czechoslovak Foreign Minister, who said: "Czechoslovakia is and remains a democratic state which wishes lasting peace. We do not wish Europe to be divided into two camps."

A Denial
Reports published in Paris that the British, American and French military attaches in Prague had been told by General Svoboda, Czech Minister of National Defence, that their presence in Prague was undesirable were denied by the Czechoslovak Embassy here today.
The denial said the military attaches had not been interrogated by General Svoboda, nor had the question of an anti-Czech plot been discussed with them.—Reuter.

Flare Hit Plane

London, Feb. 29.
One engine of a Swiss Dakota aircraft, carrying 14 passengers from Zurich, was hit by a flare when coming in to land at fog-bound Northolt Airport, London, today.
The pilot's prompt action in switching off the engine and landing on one engine prevented the possibility of fire breaking out.
No one was hurt. An official of the ground contact caravan, thinking the Dakota's undercarriage was going to hit the caravan roof, was said to have fired the red flare which lodged itself in the port engine and narrowly missed the oil pipe.—Reuter.

Mosley Gathering Ends In Uproar

London, Feb. 29.
Police tonight dispersed in uproar a North London meeting called by supporters of the new Union Movement organised by Sir Oswald Mosley, former leader of the British Union of Fascists.
Five arrests were made.
The meeting, which was to have inaugurated an electioneering campaign in support of Union Movement candidates to be nominated for local council elections, only lasted 10 minutes. Mounted and foot police intervened.
The audience, consisting mainly of young Jews, allowed the meeting to open. But a few minutes later, there was a cry of "Down with the Fascists" and the crowd surged forward, smashed notice boards and tore up pamphlets.
When the police formed a cordon around the organisers and the crowd chanted "Close the meeting" and "Get back to Germany," one of the organisers called: "See what is happening in Czechoslovakia," and, amid another uproar, the crowd rushed forward again.
The police forced them back and announced that the meeting was closed.
Five men will appear before the magistrates tomorrow.—Reuter.

U.S. TO ADMIT REFUGEES?

Washington, Feb. 29.
The admission of 100,000 European refugees into the United States over a two-year period, starting on July 1 this year, is recommended by a majority report of a five-man United States Senate Judiciary subcommittee, due to be published tomorrow.—Reuter.

MONTY VISIT TO BELGIUM

London, Feb. 29.
Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, will visit the Belgian Army from March 31 to April 2, the War Office announced tonight.
During his stay, which is at the invitation of the Belgian Government, he will see various Belgian Army training establishments and on the return journey on April 3 will visit Ostend, where he will receive the Freedom of the city.—Reuter.

Hurricanes Hit Mediterranean

Valetta, Feb. 29.
Tempestuous seas and gales of hurricane force, which almost brought the British Mediterranean Fleet to a standstill for three days during exercises, have driven a Newcastle merchantman, the Wallsend, aground at Cap Bon, on the northeastern tip of Tunisia.

The British cruiser Phoebe was standing by the Wallsend, whose crew was in no immediate danger.

The gale tonight continued unabated in its fury. Members of the Ricasoli lighthouse, at the entrance to Malta Grand Harbour, have been marooned for three days by the huge waves crashing astride the breakwater, which is the only contact with the mainland.

Two British troopships, the 20,174-ton Franconia and the 19,118-ton Arundel Castle, which reached Malta waters on Saturday, have not been able to enter the Grand Harbour owing to the high seas.

Slight damage was caused to units of the British Fleet which, encountering gales and huge seas while exercising in the Western Mediterranean during the week-end, virtually have to for three days, a naval headquarters announcement said today.

The 9,717-ton hospital ship Dorsetshire, on her way to Britain, from Tobruk, has been ordered to drop the call she was due to make at the island.—Reuter.

PIRATES CAPSIZE STEAMER

Shanghai, Mar. 1.
The Ta Kung Pao today reported that 160 persons were drowned on Saturday when pirates, masquerading as passengers, clashed with ship guards and caused a commotion among more than 280 passengers, sending the vessel to the bottom of the sea.

The ss Chungshin, which plies between Amoy and Tsingking, was en route to Amoy when the piracy occurred. Fifty survivors arrived in Amoy yesterday, while 60 other survivors together with the bodies of most of the victims are still in Kinmen—an island between Amoy and Tsingking. Three suspected pirates were seized.

The gang of pirates, who boarded the vessel as passengers, rushed the ship guards and heavy shooting followed in which several guards were killed. The passengers, rushing for safety, caused the ship to capsize. While more than 100 were picked up by junks and other ships an initial check up said that at least 160 lives were lost.—United Press.

Telegraph Strike In Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 1.
All Japanese telephone and telegraph communications between Tokyo and Osaka were suspended as 16,000 communications employees in Osaka went on a 24-hour strike at midnight last night.

The strike does not affect armed forces telephone connections.

The strike means that Tokyo is cut off from Central Japan and the whole of Western Japan as well as Shikoku Island because calls come from Osaka.

The workers, who are demanding increased wages and a Government promise not to discharge workers in connection with the Government's proposed retrenchment programme, may continue to strike in the event that the situation does not "improve"—United Press.

Creed Of The Police State

London, Feb. 29.
The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, speaking at a "National Recovery" meeting here today, said: "Sweeping across Europe is a political power that denies all the things that in the English family we value above life itself."
"It is a creed in which there is not discussion but force, no Government by consent but control by a police state, not free Parliament but tyranny and the extermination of those who differ from the powers that be, not liberty but slavery."
"There is clearly only one answer to that creed, and that is to give a demonstration that our way of life is the better way."—Reuter.

REGENT'S VISIT TO U.S.

Brussels, Feb. 29.
Prince Charles, Regent of Belgium, will be accompanied by Foreign Minister Paul Henri Spaak during his forthcoming visit to the United States, Government sources said today.
The party will leave Brussels by air for the United States on April 2.—United Press.

Final "Terms" For Havana Parley

New York, Feb. 29.
The United States is trying to wind up one world trade fight before it takes on a second.
Both are attempts to get international business relations in order as one form of defence in the gold war. The long dead-locked Havana Trade Conference last week considered Washington's "final terms."

On a "take it or leave it" basis, the United States has told the 57-nation meeting which has been trying since November to launch an international trade organization, that: "Here are the rules of the game as we will play it. Come along with us or let's call the whole thing off."
The idea is to wind up the Havana Parley by March 20.
Because on March 30 the 21-American Republics will start their own conference at Bogota, Colombia.

The Latin-American bloc at Havana has been meeting to decide how much it can concede to the United States. The United States is carrying the torch in the fight against "economic nationalism." Washington wants to work toward a "one world of trade" wherein each nation's goods move where they are wanted and needed, with trade barriers at a minimum.

An imposing list of nations, including most of those who will go to Bogota, seeks to build up each one's local industry by any means at hand. The long term aim is to make each nation, or bloc of nations, as nearly self-sufficient as possible. This, after a few years, would free them of any need for a long list of American products which they now buy, when they have the cash.
American business does not want this to happen. It would choke off exports and it might also put barriers in the way of American business getting raw materials it needs from abroad.—Associated Press.

"Times" Editor Passes

Dar Es Salaam, Feb. 29.
Mr. R. M. Barrington Ward, editor of the London "Times", died here on board the ship "Llangibby Castle", on which he was making a health and rest cure trip to Kenya.
Mr. Barrington Ward, who was 77, was on his way home when he died.
Mr. Barrington Ward died on board the vessel, which had been in Dar Es Salaam harbour since Thursday. He became editor of "The Times" in 1941 after being assistant editor since 1927.
From 1919 to 1927 he was assistant editor of the Sunday "Observer."
A former barrister-at-law of Lincoln's Inn, he joined the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry in 1911. He served in France and Belgium and won the D.S.O. and M.C.
He was educated at Westminster and Balliol College, Oxford.—Reuter.

BENELUX AND WESTERN PACT

Brussels, Feb. 29.
The Benelux countries agreed today on their attitude toward the five-nation pact proposed by Britain, but did not announce the decision.
The Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg announced the decision will be presented at their next meeting with representatives of Britain and France. When this will take place has not been disclosed.
Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain has urged creation of the five-nation compact as a start of his larger plan of "Western union" for Europe.—Associated Press.

Germany Prepares For New Hitler

Frankfurt, Feb. 29.
Pastor Martin Niemoller, U-boat commander of 1914-18 war and fighting champion of the Church against Hitler, today called for "an outspoken right wing party" in Germany and spoke of the failure of what he called "our great Democracy."

In an exclusive interview with Reuter he declared the unrepresentative parties were preparing the ground for "second slightly different Hitler."
Seated in his study at the Castle of Buedingen, the prisoner for eight years in Hitler's concentration camps said the present version of "democracy" had "failed to provide a positive idea which could replace the Nazi ideology."
The true significance of his recent pastoral letter to the German Protestant Church, in which he called on Germans no longer to cooperate voluntarily with the de-Nazification tribunals because they were continuing Nazi terrorism "in reverse" has, he said, been misunderstood.
"The people feel that today the parties are mere make-believe—they agree, and vote, and in the end quite a different decision is taken by the military government."

Of the work of the de-Nazification tribunals, Pastor Niemoller said: "Its consequences will poison our life for decades."
He protested against the "forbidding employment of near relatives of Nazi leaders in important positions and declared the burden must be shared by all, outcome of social justice and not as a punishment."
"What is intolerable is that for decades to come we are to have citizens of five different degrees of de-Nazification with different rights according to the verdicts of the de-Nazification tribunals at which the normal legal guarantees were lacking and de-Nazification was at a premium."
"The Church had to make it clear that it gives no support to that," he said.

Mutiny In U.S. Freighter

WASHINGTON, FEB. 29.
THREE OFFICERS AND THE MASTER OF THE FREIGHTER AUGUSTINE VICTORY ARE IN HOSPITAL AND SIX SEAMEN GAOLED TODAY AFTER A BATTLE ABOARD THE SHIP WHICH THE OFFICERS TERMED A "MUTINY."

Fourteen heavily-armed sheriff's deputies and police met the vessel in answer to a message from the ship requesting an ambulance and police.
The Snohomish County sheriff found Capt. W. R. Marston, 28, unconscious in his bunk. Officers and crewmen all agreed the Captain had gone below to break up a drinking party. The officers said the crewmen refused to obey the Captain and during the struggle he was struck on the head and knocked down.
Crewmen said the Captain slipped and hit his head.
A full investigation will be conducted.—United Press.

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FINNISH DECISION TODAY

Stalin's "Proposal" For Parliament

"No Intention Of Delaying"

Helsinki, Feb. 29.

The Finnish Government will ask Parliament early on Tuesday whether Parliament would be ready to decide if negotiations will be taken up with Russia about the military pact proposed by Generalissimo Stalin.

The United Press learned from reliable sources that the Government would present the question to Parliament thus: "Is it the opinion of all political groups that the proposed negotiations should start?" and not as a direct question whether Parliament desired a defence pact with Russia.

It is generally believed none of the political groups will reject negotiations with Russia when they are brought up in this way. It was said a negative answer by Parliament could be regarded as a demonstration against Soviet Russia, since the Government's question will imply nothing beyond its content.

Negotiations will be a matter exclusively for the Government and the President of the Finnish Republic with the assistance of Parliament, until the text is forwarded to Parliament for ratification.

According to Parliamentary practice, the Foreign Affairs Committee of Parliament will be currently informed about the progress of negotiations but can only interfere in the capacity of an advisory body.

"Coincident"

The Finnish Minister of Finance (Rolf Tuorgrén), who has just arrived in Stockholm from Helsinki, told the United Press today that the defence pact suggested by Stalin in no way should be identified with treaties regarding military matters which the Soviet has with Hungary and Rumania.

Mr. Tuorgrén said: "Only the coincidence of time between the crisis in Czechoslovakia and the defence pact proposed to Finland caused this entire matter to be given considerably larger proportions abroad than it deserves."

The Minister was accompanied by the chairman of the Finnish Diet (K. A. Fagerholm). They will attend the opening of "Finnish Week" in Sweden, which starts tomorrow.

Both "Finnish Week" and the trip of the two Finnish politicians have no relation to recent political events in Finland, but were scheduled several weeks ago.

Denial

Mr. Fagerholm stated that no real development on the Soviet pact question could be expected before Tuesday.

He stressed that the Soviet proposal would be dealt with in strict adherence to Finnish constitutional practice.

"I can deny categorically any rumours that President Paasikivi already should have given a preliminary reply to Stalin," he said. "Finland has, however, no intention of delaying negotiations with the Soviet Union and we will take up such as soon as possible."—United Press.

Anti-Red Leaflets Spread

Helsinki, Feb. 29.

Leaflets attacking Russia and Marshal Stalin, who has proposed a Russo-Finnish treaty of friendship and mutual military assistance, were being spread here today by an unknown organisation which the police were trying to track down.

The leaflets declared: "We are now independent in name only. Our really important concerns are being decided in Moscow. It is time to put an end to this underground game."

"The fate the Estonians suffered awaits all Finns sooner or later, Stalin has not forgotten and will never forget his wartime promise: All Finns shall be exterminated from the face of the earth."

"He began to carry out this promise in Estonia. Now your turn is coming."

The wildest rumours were circulating in the city today. One reported the Red flag had already been hoisted outside the House of Parliament.

In fact, it was the Soviet flag flying alongside the flags of other countries taking part in the world skating championships here.—Reuter.

BRITISH ENVOY TO SWEDEN

London, Feb. 29.

Mr. Harold Farguhar, Minister to Ethiopia, has been appointed British Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Sweden, the Foreign Office announced tonight.—Reuter.

SEES MEN WITH KNIVES

Copenhagen, Feb. 29.
St. Ago Toldness, a Dane who claims to be able to foresee the future, told a newspaper here that two big countries would be involved in another war this year.

A third country would start it, he said. He claimed that Marshal Stalin was against another war, but that the other great powers were working towards one.

St. Ago Toldness said he had looked into the future and had seen men in foreign costumes carrying knives turned forward.—Reuter.

Services' Cabinet In Peru

Lima, Feb. 28.

A new Peruvian Cabinet, consisting entirely of army and navy officers, was sworn in here today.

Five members of the old Cabinet are included: the Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior and Minister of Education retaining their old posts.

The Cabinet includes the Prime Minister and Finance Minister, Rear-Admiral Roque Saldaña; Foreign Minister General (Air)

Soviet's Demand Of Finland

Helsinki, Feb. 29.

The Soviet Minister in Helsinki, Lt. Gen. Savonenkov, was tonight reported to have asked the Finnish authorities for a complete list of active officers of the Finnish Army.

There was no official confirmation of this, but it was understood that a communiqué might be issued later.

Stockholm observers believed tonight that the Russian request indicated that the Soviets may press for the dismissal of anti-Soviet officers when negotiating the proposed mutual assistance pact between the two countries.

After the armistice of 1944, a group of Army officers organised a secret force "against any foreign power trying to occupy Finland."—Reuter.

Armando Reverón, and Minister of Interior, General Manuel Odrín.—Reuter

Hitler's Ideal Frau Behind Bars

Stuttgart, Feb. 29.

Hitler's "ideal German woman" and former women's leader of the Nazi Party, Frau Gertrud Scholz-Klink, who was photographed smiling at London babies when she visited Britain shortly before the war, was arrested with her husband at Badenhausen, near Tuebingen, in the French Zone of Germany, last night.

The 55-year-old woman, who once had power over 35,000,000 German women, said when arrested: "I fought in Berlin to the end as it behoves a German woman, and I was wounded as a soldier."

Broque and hostile to the French and American officials who questioned her, she declared: "I was not afraid to die for my beloved Fuehrer."

A physician was found on her husband, SS General Werner Heilmeyer, former senior group leader of the SS in charge of ideological education, when he was arrested.

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STABILISATION LOAN OUT

Aid For China Dollar Waste Of Time

Plan Turned Down By Banks

Washington, Feb. 29.

Informed consensus here is that there is virtually no possibility of the Chinese Government securing any currency stabilisation loan in the United States in the foreseeable future.

Despite the increasing Republican clamour for aid to China beyond the \$570,000,000 commodity and reconstruction programme under Congressional consideration, well informed sources in close touch with all aspects of the situation said they were certain in a final analysis that no source here would be willing to take the responsibility for such a loan at present.

It is understood that most Administration officials believe that the current Republican demands for larger scale aid to China such as these being advanced by Senators Robert Taft and Styles Bridges are designed for political effect rather than stemming from any basic intention to attempt to secure more money for the Nanking Government.

The consensus amongst informed officials is that any Administration attempt to get Congress to vote a stabilisation loan on top of the \$570,000,000 commodity and reconstruction grant probably would result in defeat for both plans.

The official consensus here is that all efforts to stabilise the Chinese currency through foreign loans or other "external mechanism" would prove of no avail until the Nanking Government is able to bring its expenditures and tax receipts into something approximating balance.

Banks Opposed
Meanwhile, experts pointed out that the only two possible sources outside of Congress for any Chinese stabilisation loan are the Export-Import Bank and the World Bank both of which already have ruled themselves out of the picture.

Export-Import Bank officials decided fairly against the possibility of making any such loan, firstly because they think it would be useless under the present economic conditions in China and, secondly because they interpret the Bank's charter as prohibiting that type of loan.

The Bank cannot make a stabilisation loan to China because that country has been unable to maintain any definite par value of its currency which is one of the prerequisites to the international bank advancing stabilisation funds.

It is considered possible that demands by Republican Congressmen might result in some additions to the military equipment assistance and the issuance of directives which would permit the American military mission in China to operate closer to field level.

Economy Sentiment
However, it is expected that the Administration may soon attempt to show the full scale of its military equipment provided the Chinese under surplus property deals and in other forms during the past two years. Whether this would have the effect of heading off Republican demands for military aid is not certain.

These sources asserted that their analysis of the Congressional sentiment on China aid disclose that although there are a number of vociferous Republican proponents of increased aid to Nanking the general economy sentiment of the majority of Congressmen may be judged by their approach to China aid plans. They said they believed that when a showdown came there would be no general disposition amongst Congressmen to go farther than the present Administration programme envisages.—United Press.

COMMODITY INDEX
New York, Mar. 1.
The Associated Press composite of 35 basic commodities resumed its downward trend on Friday when it dipped to 183.21 after rising slightly to 183.97 a week earlier.

Textiles showed the sharpest drop. Industrials and livestock also declined. Food, cotton and grains advanced. Non-ferrous metals were unchanged.—Associated Press.

High Interest
Instead, the banks are now trying to absorb the idle capital by offering a rate of interest sometimes as high as 15 per cent, it is said.

Some degree of success is reported to have been achieved in this respect as the intake during last week totalled CN\$4,000,000,000.

The greater proportion of the money that had been set loose, however, still persisted in commodity purchases, as these were more profitable.—Reuter-AAP.

Dollar And The Franc
The Attorney-General will move the following resolution at tomorrow's meeting of Legislative Council:—

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and grains advanced. Non-ferrous metals were unchanged.—Associated Press.

Money Market
Gold continued its downward slide yesterday and closed at \$348.75 a tael after opening at \$350.

Plastron were decidedly firmer and at the close of the market were \$12.20 a 100. Opening rate was \$12.15 and fluctuations ranged from \$12.00 to \$12.25.

Chinese National Currency futures opened at 18 1/2 cents and closed at 18 cents for CN\$10,000. Spot was nominal at 19 cents.

Tenks were also firmer at \$26.00 a 100, while NEI Builders eased off slightly to \$30.30 a 100.

U.S. dollars dropped further to \$5.35, while Sterling was unchanged at \$12.95. Australian pounds were quoted at \$12.54.

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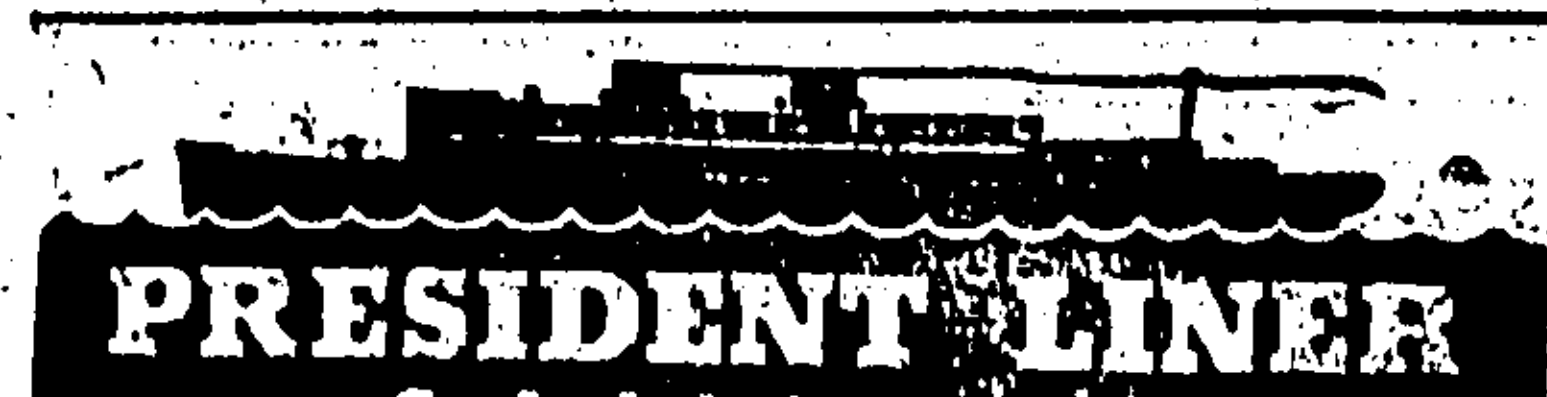
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Mar. 2, Philippine Airlines, 10
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Mar. 3, Pan-American, 12:45
p.m.
Mar. 5, Cathay Pacific, 12:30
p.m.
Mar. 6, Philippine Airlines,
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Mar. 6, Pan-American, 12:45
p.m.
Shanghai
Dally, CNAC, 10:45 a.m.
Mar. 3, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.
Mar. 3, Philippine Airlines,
12 noon
Mar. 5, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.
Mar. 7, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.

Canton
H.K. Airways, thrice daily:
11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
San Francisco
(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam,
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Mar. 3, Pan-American, 12:45
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Mar. 6, Pan-American, 12:45
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San Francisco
(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam,
Okinawa, Shanghai)
Mar. 4, Pan-American, 4:45
p.m.
Mar. 11, Pan-American, 4:45
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Singapore via Bangkok
Mar. 3, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.
Mar. 7, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.
Mar. 10, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

Departures To:

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Mar. 3, BOAC (Capt. Kyle),
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Mar. 4, Pan-American, 8 a.m.
Mar. 4, Cathay Pacific, 2:30
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Mar. 4, Pan-American, 8 a.m.
San Francisco
(Via Shanghai, Okinawa,
Guam, Wake & Honolulu)
Mar. 5, Pan-American, 8 a.m.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 2

Closing Times By Sea and Train
Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 9 a.m.
(Ord.) 9:30 a.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m.
(Ord.) 9:30 a.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta,
Karachi, Bahrain, Cairo (Nairobi),
Johannesburg and Marseilles via Cairo,
Australia and London, Kowloon G.P.O.
(Reg.) 2:30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m.
(Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3:30 p.m.
Airmail for Amoy and Poochow: Air-
mail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow,
Tientsin and Peking, (Reg.) 3 p.m.
(Ord.) 3:30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 3 p.m.
(Ord.) 3:30 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea and Train
Canton, 7 a.m.
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi, 8 a.m.
Haiphong, 10 a.m.
Canton, 2 p.m.
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi, 3 p.m.
Manila, 3 p.m.
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi, 4 p.m.
Kowloon, 5 p.m.
Canton, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

Closing Times By Sea and Train
Airmail for Swatow, Tientsin and Amoy,
(Reg.) 2:30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m.
(Ord.) 9:30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, P.I., Honolulu,
U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 9:30 a.m.
(Ord.) 10 a.m.
Airmail for Canton, Luchow and Kun-
ming, (Reg.) 8 p.m. (Ord.) 8:30 p.m.
Airmail for Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking,
Hankow, Tientsin and Peking, (Reg.) 3
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Manila, 3 p.m.
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi, 4 p.m.
Kowloon, 5 p.m.
Canton, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

Closing Times By Sea and Train
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m.
(Ord.) 9:30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 11 a.m.
(Ord.) 11:30 a.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Baku,
via Colombo, Sydney and Auckland,
(Reg.) 9 p.m. (Ord.) 9:30 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Han-
kow, Tientsin and Peking, (Reg.) 3 p.m.
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ARRIVALS YESTERDAY

Andre Lebon (M.M.) from Shanghai, K. Wh.
Hui Rui (C.M.S.N.) from Shanghai, A4
Nellor (M.M.) from Europe, A2
Palmbang (Bacony) L.O.K.
Slavus (Bacony) L.O.K.
Tamerlane (Dowell) from Shanghai, K. Wh.
DEPARTURES YESTERDAY
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Contest Han Francisco
Donahue Singapore
Mongolia Manila
Strait Swedia Manila

ARRIVALS TODAY

Hendrich Jansen (J.C.P.L.) from Java, D4
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DEPARTURES TODAY

American Merchant Manila
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ARRIVALS IN PORT

Alderside (B. & S.) Talkoo Dk.
Alphard (J.C.P.L.) Talkoo Dk.
Amaranthus (Wheeler) S.S. Po
An Hui (B. & S.) S.S. Po
Andre Lebon (M.M.) S.S. Po
Anlock (Wallen) S.S. Po
American Merchant (U.S.L.) K. Wh.
Bentley (Laxley) K. Wh.
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Emp. Wye (Jardine) Kin. Dk.
Fu Kwang (A.P.C.) Port Oiler
Larkland (Wheeler) S.S. Po
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2. Willie Victory (A.P.L.)
3. English Prince (Jardine)
12. New Zealand Victory (Jardine)
15. Louis McIl Howe (A.P.L.)
25. Pres. Monroe (A.P.L.)
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Scott P. Land (A.P.L.)
6. Marine Snapper (A.P.L.)
SANDAKAN
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11. Eau Hong (Jardine)
23. Heng Sam (Jardine)
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN
Mar.
8. Coastal Champion (Everett)
9. Pres. Pierce (A.P.L.)
11. Trevelyan (P. & O.)
17. Rangula (B.L.)
18. Coastal Victory (Jardine)
24. Trevelyan (P. & O.)
27. Philippine Transport (Jardine)
Late, Memon (Jardine)
Late, Lake Pennak (Jardine)

ARRIVALS TODAY

15. New Zealand Victory (Jardine)
16. English Prince (Jardine)
20. Trevelyan (P. & O.)
SINGAPORE
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5. Poyang (B. & S.)
6. Wu Hong (Jardine)
11. Coastal Champion (Everett)
14. Van Houten (Jardine)
Late, Glenrae (Jardine)
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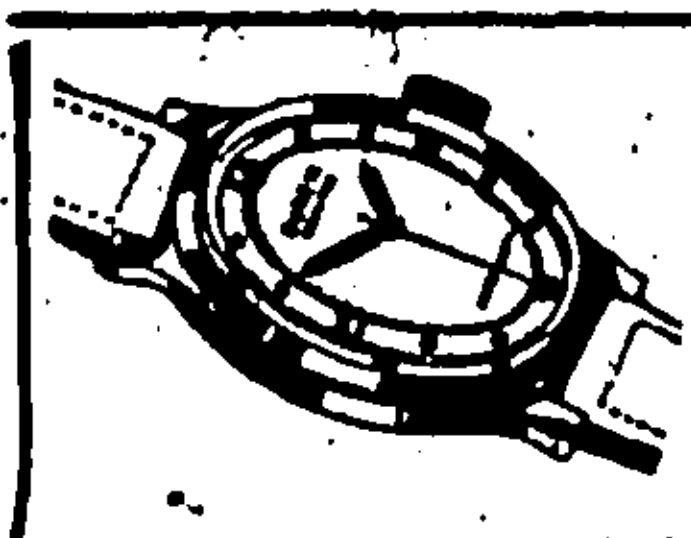
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ARRIVALS YESTERDAY

11. Courser (A.P.L.)
12. Pres. Cleveland (A.P.L.)
12. Capital Victory (Jardine)
17. Philippine Transport (Jardine)
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13. New Zealand Victory (Jardine)

ARRIVALS TODAY

10. Furman Victory (A.P.L.)
12. Marine Leopard (A.P.L.)
15. Tien Maerk (Jabon)
21. American Merchant (U.S.L.)
Mar.
22. Grete Maerk (Jabon)



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Beer For The Emperor

Munich, Mar. 1. The Emperor of Abyssinia, Haile Selassie, has ordered ten tons of beer to be sent to him for the brewing of 1,100 cans of genuine Munich beer for his use, the German news agency, D.P.D., reported today.—Reuter.

Boxing Tournery

The boxing tournament at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on Feb. 21 has stirred up so much interest that arrangements are now being made for a second tournament in the early part of this month, with either the Central Theatre or Caroline Hill (open air ring) as the venue.

Main event on the programme of the forthcoming tournament will be a contest between "Sky" Lee (Lee Kien-kun) of Hong Kong and David Hsu of Canton. Both have had considerable experience in the ring and as supporters of each camp are equally confident of the outcome, an excellent fight is promised.

Local fight fans will be interested to learn that Jerry Box, who has appeared with so much success here and in Macau during the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong, as an amateur is thinking of taking up boxing again. This will depend, of course, on whether he can spare the time from business demands for training.

India Has Future In Cricket

Perth, Mar. 1. Before sailing for India today with the Indian cricketers in the "Stratheden," Amarath said: "Let me tell you that I am a disappointed man. I know that India has a great future in cricket."

Amarath continued: "On behalf of my team, I want to thank the people who have just watched us play. It was a remarkable experience to find thousands of barrackers shouting for us to win."

Amarath said that his young players, Phadkar, Sen, Sarwate and Adhikari had given utmost benefit from the tour.—Reuter.

WORLD TITLE

Helsinki, Feb. 20. Johnny Werket of the United States today won the 1500-metre speed skating world title before 12,000 persons at Helsinki's ice stadium.

The 23-year-old former paratrooper from Minneapolis was timed at 2 minutes 22.3 seconds.

Kaas Ekman of Holland came second, Odd Lundeberg of Norway third, H. Wall of Norway fourth and A. Piskarev of Russia fifth.—United Press.

BOXING TITLE

Manila, Feb. 20. Three dol Rosario, featherweight champion of the Philippines, last night annexed the featherweight championship of the Orient by defeating decisively David Young, the Chinese Hawaiian-born bantamweight southpaw, before a record crowd of 12,000 cheering fans at the Rizal Memorial Stadium.

Unleashing a savage two-fisted attack following a slow start, the local champion, weighing 126 pounds, was given the decision over Young, who topped the scales at 118 pounds, over a 10 round bout.—Reuter.

DIMAGGIO OUT FOR TITLE

St. Petersburg, Fla., Mar. 1. Joe Dimaggio, of the New York Yankees, served notice today that he is out to dethrone Ted Williams, of the Boston Red Sox, and American League batting champion.

Joe thinks an average of 350 will do it and that he will set his batting high. Williams won the title last year with 345.—Associated Press.

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AFTER "CHINA MAIL" SHIELD

(By "Grandstand")

The Walloping Wildcats blasted their way to a 10-2 victory over a determined Canadian nine to join the Wahos and Aces in the chase after the "China Mail Shield." Strengthened with the addition of several new faces, the Canuckettes put up a spirited fight behind Alice Mar's hurling, but heavier hitting soon told, as the Untamed Felines bunched up four hits in the final inning to garner as many runs.

The Wildcats' terrific start and chalked out their record in the initial frame, while the Maple Leafers relied with two tallies helped by Jean Lee's single and Alice Mar's three-bagger. The Cats did not find things all their own way and only counted once more in the next four canoes.

During this period, Wildcat Dolly Brown dished out a brilliant flinging job by sending the Maple Leafers down in one-two-three order in a no-hit no-run performance. The Cats added one more in the sixth and clinched the game with a four run sponge in the last inning. Canuckettes bunched up four hits in the sixth when Alice Mar singled, but was forced out at bat, they had runners on second and third but the essential hit was not forthcoming.

Dolly Brown on the slab for the Cats whiffed five and only gave up four hits while Alice Mar on the mound for the Maple Leafers fanned two but yielded 10 safeties. The Canuckettes dished out the only double play in the final chapter when Ella Chinn clamped her mitt on Cynthia Moore's hot fly and tagged Edgar Bahida out as she tried vainly to return to her base with the catch. The longest blow of the day, went to Alice Mar with a rousing triple which she could have stretched into a homer but for the fact that she stumbled after rounding second base. Helen Ribeiro, Wildcat pitcher, showed a return to form when she paced Alice Mar's offerings for three safeties in four at-bats.

Argument

Prior to the commencement of the game a heated argument took place between the managers as to the interpretation of the rule governing "passed balls" which might strike the wire netting behind the catcher. It was decided to dismantle the net and play commenced under the old rules.

The rule says—Rule 27 Sec 3: If a ball delivered by the pitcher passes the catcher and touches any fence or backstop within 25 feet of home plate all base runners shall be entitled to advance one base.

In their initial diamond exhibition, the Pirates got off to an erratic start to allow the Bees to notch up 8 runs before the first inning was over. In the second frame the Buccaneers made several positional changes, with short-stop Joan Eager taking over hurling duties from Louise Warning who was not quite successful in finding the plate. Louise found the windy alley more suitable and made a good catch that was earmarked for distant places. Sparked by Joan Eager's home-run in the second, the Skull and Crossbones pepped up and worked up a few runs. Although every single Pirate was full of enthusiasm, experience soon told.

Not Too Late

These girls have the makings of a good softball team as most of them have a natural swing, but unfortunately their present ball sense is deplorable. It is understood that Hunty Neves has taken over coaching duties and was out last Sunday putting them through the paces in preparation for another exhibition against one of the teams in the Ladies League. It is not too late in the season to start as it is possible that a Summer League may be formed provided sufficient support is forthcoming. With the longer daylight period during the coming months there is no reason why week-day games cannot be played off.

The oft-debated question as to the origin of Softball has again been brought up. This pastime really started in the back yards when our grandpappies were knocking a ball or yery often a wad of rag—around. No one seems to be able to tell definitely when this practice started.

CHANGE IN CURRENCY

Tokyo, Mar. 1. British occupation forces in Japan exchanged their military currency for a new issue today.

Their finance office here said a similar change was made earlier in Europe. It said the "military script" found the way into the hands of the wrong people or was counterfeited in Germany.—Associated Press.

League Tables To Date

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| Manitoba | 12 | 3 | 309 |
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| Josephians | 11 | 4 | 243 |
| Ellington | 7 | 6 | 235 |
| V. R. G. | 6 | 7 | 162 |
| South China | 5 | 9 | 257 |
| Tolmie | 3 | 9 | 239 |
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| MEN'S "B" DIVISION | | | |
| Beas | 10 | 3 | 269 |
| Dar-dawha | 9 | 3 | 254 |
| Draves | 9 | 3 | 245 |
| Isacours | 9 | 4 | 282 |
| United Nations | 6 | 4 | 200 |
| Blue Bees | 6 | 5 | 246 |
| Wildfires | 5 | 8 | 286 |
| Josephians | 4 | 11 | 244 |
| Comets | 1 | 11 | 284 |
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| Wahos | 7 | 2 | 278 |
| Bees | 6 | 2 | 270 |
| Wildcats | 6 | 3 | 267 |
| Canadiana | 2 | 6 | 265 |
| Bees | 1 | 9 | 180 |

Spring Season Opens

New York, Mar. 1. Major League baseball clubs got down to the serious business of getting into ships for the 1948 season today by beginning spring training.

Banned by a Major League rule from starting spring training before March 1, players will be forced to round into playing form quicker than usual. All clubs are scheduled to hold workouts today. The first of 878 booked exhibition games will be played on Saturday.

Except for the Brooklyn Dodgers, all clubs have spring training camps in the U.S. this year. The Dodgers are at Ciudad Trojillo, in the Dominican Republic.

Leading holdouts are Cincinnati's Johnny Vandermeer; Brooklyn's Pee-wee Reas, Ed Stanko and Bruce Edwards; New York Giants' Buddy Kerr; Ken Trinkle and Bob Thomson; Philadelphia's Phillie Phanatic; Harry Walker and Eddie Miller; Boston Braves' Johnny Sain; Al Trichel, Mike McCormick, Bama Rowell and Manny Fernandez; Philadelphia Athletics' Barney McCosky and Elmer Valo.—Associated Press.

Re-Classified

The following are the alterations to the Classification List dated Feb. 18, 1948:

Cooper to Class 1; Crown Witness to Class 2; Flying Jib to Class 2; V-Day to Class 2; Flight to Class 4; Nevertire to Class 4; National Gift to Class 6; The Chief to Class 6; Too-womby Boy to Class 5; Trade Wind to Class 5; Belle Fontaine to Class 4; Brivisto to Class 6; Diamondfield to Class 6; Tunny to Class 6; Bootle to Class 7; Dashing Beauty II to Class 7; Frostlight to Class 7; Gilda to Class 7; Jump Bid to Class 7; Two Bid to Class 7; Argus II to Class 8; Busted Straight to Class 8; Chelsea to Class 8; Flying Dragon to Class 8; Jeep Fun to Class 8; Morning Sun to Class 8; Silver Wheel to Class 8.

A free discussion and various proposals were interchanged at a meeting of members of the Hong Kong Football Association, last night, presiding at the meeting was Mr. R.M. Omar. There was a fair attendance of members.

"Crushed Country"

Prague, Mar. 1. An American film dealing with underground resistance to German occupation, and starring Charles Laughton, has been withdrawn after a one-day run at a Prague theatre.

The film, the Czech title of which meant "Crushed Country," was shown at Kino Svoboda (Cinema Freedom). Another American film, "Love Letters," starring Joseph Cotton, was substituted.—Associated Press.

Gets M.S.M. Awarded Him 35 Years Ago

Monmouth, Mar. 1. Eighty-year-old W.O. H. Smithurst of Newport married between two-ergent-majors on the Castle Square at Monmouth yesterday to receive the Meritorious Service Medal—awarded to him in 1913. He was serving in the Royal Welch Fusiliers then.

The medal can be held by only two past or present members of a regiment at a time. Only when the holder dies is there a vacancy. The medal carries with it an annuity of £10 and no more than £7,000 a year can be spent in that way for the whole country.

Mr. Shinwell, War Minister, said in the House of Commons in a reply recently that there were 9,183 candidates on the waiting list.—Reuter.

Thank God For Franco And Salazar!

London, Mar. 1. "We may well thank God for General Franco and Dr. Salazar. If it was not for the far-seeing statesmanship of these two men it might easily happen that the Democracies—when Russia prepares to attack Great Britain—would be left without a single base."

That view was expressed in the "Daily Graphic" today by its editorial columnist, "Candidus." He "wrote off" France, Italy, Norway, Sweden and Denmark as bound to be absorbed by the Communist march across Europe. Only Spain and Portugal on the Continent would hold an anti-Communist front. He continued:—"The United States should tell Russia explicitly and forcibly that if she moves another mile forward in Europe then atom bombs will rain on the Soviet Union."

"There is no other argument that will weigh with Stalin and his murderous associates."

American Basketball

New York, March 1. Notre Dame will try tonight to break the 19-game winning streak of New York University, America's only major undefeated college basketball team.

In the Big Nine, first-place Michigan can win the championship by defeating Iowa, the principal challenger. In the Big Seven, Kansas State can take the title by whipping Kansas University. Each of these eastern games also will be played tonight.

All other major conference races have been decided except two. In the Ivy League, Princeton, Columbia and Cornell are fighting it out. In the Pacific coast's northern division, Washington and Washington State are in contention. Elsewhere, here is the lineup of champions:—Southeastern, Kentucky; Southern, North Carolina; South-West, Baylor; Missouri Valley, Oklahoma A. and M.; Mountain States, Brigham Young; coast, Southern Division, California.—Associated Press.

F.A. CUP DRAW

London, Mar. 1. Draw for the semi-finals of the Football Association Cup was made here today as follows:—Blackpool versus Tottenham Hot-spurs at Aston Villa ground; Everton versus Derby County versus Manchester United at the Sheffield Wednesday ground.

Both ties are to be played on Mar. 11. If there is one replay it will be at Wolverhampton on Mar. 26. If two replays are necessary, one will be at Wolverhampton and the other at Manchester City ground. An replay involving Manchester United would take place at Wolverhampton.—Reuter.

ALLEGED "CONVERSION" OF A WIDOW'S \$30,000

Togo Was Chiefly To Blame

Tokyo, Mar. 1. The "prime responsibility" for Japan's failure to observe international law by attacking Pearl Harbour and Singapore without warning rests on defendant, ex-Foreign Minister Shigeru Togo, the prosecution declared today.

Neither the ambiguous text nor the time of the delivery of the note to Secretary of State Cordell Hull in Washington 55 minutes after the first bombs were dropped on Pearl Harbour on Dec. 7, 1941, United States time, complied with The Hague Convention requiring a declaration of war before the opening of hostilities and A.T. Laverge, the Netherlands assistant prosecutor.

Laverge cited the testimony of ex-Premier Hideki Tojo that details of the language of the note and the time of delivery were left to Togo and the chiefs of the Army and Navy general staffs after an "internal conference" on Dec. 1, 1941 had made the final decision to go to war.

The prosecutor also asserted that Togo was criminally responsible for the Japanese mistreatment of prisoners of war because at the beginning and at the end of the Pacific hostilities, Togo received and ignored Allied protests.—Associated Press.

Chan Yuen-shu, alias Chau Hsu, Manager of the Wing Wo Cheung Company, No. 311, Des Voeux Road, Central, appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday for the third hearing of the charge against him of fraudulently converting \$30,000 to his own use while being trustee for the benefit of Chan Tsoi-king, a widow.

Defendant, represented by Mr. Marcus da Silva, pleaded guilty. He is on a \$10,000 bail and \$10,000 surty.

Chan, it was alleged by the Prosecution, persuaded the widow of Mo Leung-nai, who deposited \$50,000 at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and died intestate in Tolshan, to "localise" a power of attorney document and drew \$30,000 for his own use.

The alleged incident, Detective-Inspector Thomas Cashman said, occurred at the Sun Kong Cafe, Des Voeux Rd., Central, where the widow, at the request of defendant, finger-printed the document and her nephew, Mo Siu-chen, signed it.

The money, it was alleged, drawn on March 26 last year, but the widow did not receive any of it.

At yesterday's hearing, Cho Ping-pui, witness for the prosecution who accompanied complainant to the cafe, continued his evidence and was further cross-examined by Mr. da Silva.

Discrepancies over dates in the evidence of complainant and witness were brought out by Defence Counsel.

Cho, who claimed that he acted as a guide only and was not an interested party in the affair, said he saw complainant finger-print the document and her nephew signing it. He said that defendant was with them at the same table and that Chan produced a piece of paper, saying: "You'll be able to draw your money from the bank after signing this document."

The next witness for the Prosecution was Mr. Li Shun.

Share The Wealth?

London, Mar. 1. Women Liberals may demand a law to compel husbands to give their wives half of their incomes after household expenses have been met.

A resolution proposing such a law will be considered at the Women's Liberal Conference in Black-pool on April 20 and 21.—United Press.

Benelux And The Czech Crisis

Brussels, Mar. 1. The Anglo-French-Benelux treaty of alliance would be spurred to a conclusion within a month because of the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia and the approach to Finland, sources close to the Government said today.

The Prime Minister and Foreign Ministers of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg met yesterday at the Dutch Embassy for 50 minutes. The session was scheduled officially.

Official Dutch sources said after the meeting that the Foreign Ministers were in "full agreement" with the terms of Mr. Bevin's proposal for a Western European alliance; only technicalities remained to be settled.

An unimpeachable source close to the British Premier, Mr. Henri Spaak, said he considered conclusion of the alliance "urgent" in the light of the events in Czechoslovakia and Finland.

Spaak said he considers formation of a Western European bloc the only means of facing up to the Communists and saving Belgium from slipping into the Soviet orbit.

No official statement will be issued until the Benelux Foreign Ministers meet again, probably in Holland, within ten days.—United Press.

Lend-Lease Bill Shows "Progress"

Washington, Mar. 1. The State Department reported today that American negotiations for settlement of the Russian Lend-Lease bill of \$1,297,000 were "showing some progress."

Negotiators said agreement probably could not be reached for some time, but added they had "every reason to believe" that a mutually satisfactory settlement was negotiable.

Russia offered to return some of the Liberty ships which were transferred to the Red flag during the war. Officials said a partial agreement had been reached on this point.

The Lend-Lease negotiations have been going on for two years.—United Press.

World Harvest Of Rice

Baguio, Mar. 1. The world rice harvest for the current year was described as a "glorious picture" by a United Nations food expert, who said Asia's food supply would remain "critically short until at least 1952."

This year's rice shortage was estimated at 4,700,000 metric tons by James McAnis, of Washington, D.C., who addressed the opening session of the 11-nation rice conference sponsored by the Food and Agricultural Organization.

He said the 1948 rice harvest was expected to be only five per cent below pre-war levels, but pointed out that the population of Asia's rice-eating countries had increased nearly 90,000,000 since 1919. He said the figures would "surely dispel any notion that a return to the pre-war levels of rice production would end our troubles."

He also said heavy exports of so-called "bread grains" to Asia from the United States, Canada, Australia and Argentina in the past two years had helped ease the rice shortage, but that these exports had been abnormally heavy because of bumper crops.

He warned:—"It would be risky to assume those countries could continue indefinitely to ship out vast quantities of wheat and other cereals which only extraordinarily favourable weather conditions made possible."—United Press.

53 Freed In Trial Of Ex-Fascists

Siena, Mar. 1. One of Italy's longest and biggest trials of ex-Fascist officials ended here last night when a special court sentenced six of 94 defendants to life imprisonment after a 23-hour trial deliberation.

The convicted men included Professor Giorgio Chirico, ex-Fascist Prefect of Siena, and Alessandro Rinaldi, a former police official.

Of the other defendants two were given 30-year terms, one was sentenced to 26 years, one to 17 years and one to 16 years.

The other 53 were freed because of lack of sufficient evidence or because of conditions of the general amnesty.—United Press.

PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION

London, Mar. 1. A Parliamentary delegation left here today for Paris at the invitation of M. Edouard Herriot, President of the French National Assembly, and M. Gaston Monnerville, President of the Upper House.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Deputy leader of the Conservative Party, and head of the delegation, will fly over tomorrow to join the group.—Reuter.

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